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Healey hint of tax cuts if wage pacts keep code

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November date likely for boost to economy

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ARCHITET DESIGNED CIAIS of the case for taking
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picture of the British economy. Mr Healey said that the central problem was the low level of economic activity reflected in the unacceptable unemployment level pient level,

This week's figures showing a further increase of 32,000 in the underlying level of unem-ployment has strengthened the position of those wanting to inject extra demand.

Just what form this boost to Just what form this boost to demand will take is still an open question. The Chancelor has been looking at both value-added tax and income tax to see which would make a better way of reducing the tax bill.

Cuts in income tax seem to be the likelist way of achieving Mr Healey's goal.

A cut in VAT would have an

immediate effect on the rate of inflation, and would be fairly easy to carry out. Against that indirect taxes account for a fairly small proportion of the total tax take, and the Treasury wants to reverse the decline in this over the years.

Internal administrative problems of cutting income tax are what are causing most trouble. Income tax has been changed outside of an April budget only twice in recent times, once during the war and once by Philip Snowden in the

None the less the Inland Revenue could probably cope There may also be some measures aimed directly at boosting employment. One factor which reinforces the Coremment's thicking in favour of domestic stimulation is the feeling that the latest

The Chancellor is likely to be pressing for more action when he meets other finance ministers in Washington next

Referendum poll

unions should be the subject of a referendum, according to a survey by Market and Opinion Research published in today's Daily Express. It also indicates that the Tories have a 7 per cent lead over Labour. Councils back pay limits, page 2 | the same way as, for example,

Fears that violence or illegal blacking may harm Government's election chances

Union preparing for withdrawal from Grunwi ck dispute

It seems almost certain that the Association of Professional, Clerical and Computer Staff (Apex), the union involved in the 13-month-old dispute at the Grunwick film-processing plant, is reluctantly preparing to pull out and accept defeat.

No decision has yet been taken by Mr Roy Grantham, the union's general secretary, about such a move. But the union recognizes that there are no tactics available for winning the dispute that are not either illegal or damaging to the elec-toral chances of the Govern-ment.

The union's pessimism emerging only a month after the publication of the report of Lord Justice Scarman's

pussible of the 91 people on strike should be reinstated, and that a union should be recognized inside the factory.

A week after the report Grunwick rejected the recom-mendations. Mr Grantham has since been meeting various unions with a view to mounting a blockade on essential

supplies to the company.

But the supply industry is a difficult area for organizing effective industrial action, and Apex knows that Grunwick has many alternative sources of materials, even short-life chemi-cals, which, unlike much of the resources used by Grunwick, cannot be stockpiled. Attempts to get workers in

court of inquiry, which found Grunwick's European interests in favour of the union. The in Belgium, Holland and Gerreport said that as many as many to take sympathetic action have met with a blunt rejec-tion, as have attempts to obtain support from Grunwick's operations in Nigeria.

> Furthermore Grunwick is now at the end of its busy summer season. The months ahead are a quiet time for the factory, and is less vulnerable a a result. The only action that Grunwick fears is the disconnexion of public services, such as the

post, electricity and water.
Although there is sympathy Apex from service unions such as the Union of Post Office Workers, the General and Municipal Workers' Loion, and the Transport and General Workers' Union, their leaders know that the blacking of services is

illegal and renders them liable to have assets seized in the event of protracted blacking. Mass picketing has already been shown to be ineffective in terms of forcing the company to give in, although effective politically in that the June violence resulted in the court

of inquiry.
There is also neavy pressure on Mr Grantham from the Government through the TUC not to do anything that would harm Labour's chances in a sudden election. It is felt that violent scenes or illegal blacking would play into the hands of the Tories, who at the moment are divided about the closed shop and Grunwick,

Apex, which has been paying £30 a week each to 91 strikers

resources to the dispute, is now caught between the pressure from the Government and the frustration of the strike committee, whose members are still

picketing outside the factory
The matter of blacking public
services is being raised at the
TUC general purposes committee on Monday and the general council meeting on Wednesday. The strike committee, which is now talking in terms of unotifi cial blacking of services and renewed mass picketing, is hoping for TUC support.

Bur Apex feels that the only way that services can be effectively blacked is through the election of a new Labour Gov-ernment which would be free to change the law in respect of for most of this year and has sympatheric action.

Sir Eric Miller shoots himself as fraud investigation opens

By Alan Hamilton

Sir Eric Miller, whose career as head of Peachey Properties, Britain's biggest residential property company, is being inrestigated by the Director of Public Prosecutions, the fraud squad, and the Department of Trade, shot himself dead yesterday. He was 50.

He was found with severe head injuries in the garden of his home, Rammore Lodge, Little Eoltons, Chelsea, by his wife and daughter early in the morning, a pistol by his side. He owned a Walther PPK 7.65 automatic which he kept for target shooting. He died three hours later in St Stephen's

Hospital, near by.

A close friend of Sir Harold
Wilson and of Lady Falkender,
Sir Eric, who was a member of
the Labour Party, was knighted
in the former Prime Minister's Resignation Honours last year. He was a devout Jew, and was reported to have spent £250,000 on his son's Bar Mitzvah in Israel. He died on Yom Kippur, the Jewish Day of Atonement. At the time of his death Sir Eric was the subject of three writs issued by the Depart-ment of Trade and four by the Peachey company. The latter four claimed a total of £265,000

The Department of Trade in-vestigation into his business affairs is to continue, but the Director of Public Prosecutions officials will decide today whether possible criminal charges should be dronped. The fraud squad's inquiries are at an early stage, and Sir Eric had not been interviewed.

Sir Eric's rise to fortune began at the age of 16, when he entered the office of an estage agent in the West End. By the age of 24 he had set up in his own business, and by 34 he was a millionaire. He re-mained inconspicuous, unknown outside the City, until 1974, when he lent Sir Harold his Bell Jet Ranger helicopter for the Prime Minister's use during the election campaign.

He built Peachey Properties into a £40m empire and lived the life of a tycoon with expensive cars and visits to Annabel's the fashionable London night club, sometimes in the special demands on the educa-tional system to which it must be sensitive enough to respond. More choice, page 4 company of Lady Falkender. He was also a dire Fulham Football Club. director of Sir Eric's empire began to

turn sour on him in March, this year, when it was disclosed that a £200,000 deposit had been paid on a 51m 10-seat executive jet, ordered on behalf of the Peachey company. Directors could recall no board room decision to buy the aircraft, and the order was cancelled 10 days before it was due to be delivered. Sir Eric resigned.

After a turbulent annual meeting in May Sir Eric, who then owned 504,000 of Peachey's 24 million shares, was removed from the board by a vote of the snareholders. Investigations into his business activities began soon afterwards. After his resignation Sir Eric

denied that there had been any irregularities in his business and said there whispering campaign against him in the City.

Only a few days ago the Peachey company, now under the chairmanship of Lord Mais, a former Lord Mayor of London, completed a list of the expenses incurred by Sir Eric during his chairmanship; they are in addition to loane total. are in addition to loans total-ling £177,671 obtained from Peachey subsidiaries by him.

On Monday the Daily Mirror published allegations that Sir Eric had forged a letter purporting to have come from a bank, said to concern a £130,000 account and typed by a former secretary at Fulham Football Club. In reply to the allega-tions, Sir Eric said that "this whole business" was turning into a witch-hunt. Lord Mais said yesterday

that the company was anxious to obtain money to which it was entitled. He knew of personal vendetta against Sir Eric. Sir Harold Wilson, whose home at Ashley Gardens, Victoria, is owned by Peachey Properties, declined to com-

The warden of the Central Synagogue, St Marylebone, at which Sir Eric worshipped, said he had been hounded to death the media, and that all he had been accused of amounted only to a technical offence.

Mr Ernest Clay, chairman of Fulham Football Club, said it had been decided to name the club's new stand after Sir Eric recognition of his services to the club.

Mr Nicholas Scott: On left

Campaign to oust Tory MP started last year

By Peter Strafford

The covert campaign by some right-wing members of the Chelsea Conservative Association to disledge Mr Nicholas Scott, MP for Kensington and Chelsea, Chelsea, got under way before the covery that the control of the covery that the covery t before the end of last year, according to correspondence that has become available.

It is also clear that Mr Neville Boale, the present chairman of the association, first passed on the complaints of the malcontents. Mr Beale was a vice-chairman before becoming chairman earlier this year, and he wrote on November 20 to Mr. Michael Craig-Cooper, the chairman, about Mr. Scott, who was elected in October, 1974.

"There seems to be a vide measure of dissertation with him", Mr Beale wrote. "This partly reflects a feeling that his marital situation was misrepre-sented in order to support his adoption. There is also some concern at his own position in the political spectrum—whether you define that as 'left' versus 'right' or Heath versus Thatcher, etc."

In another letter to Mr Craig-Cooper, written on December 29, Mr Beale referred to a journalist's inquiry he had received about a report that Chelsea was taking steps to get rid of Mr Scott. "I played it rid of Mr Scott. "I played it 'rague', expressing surprise at the notion", be wrote.

Someone, he suggested, had talked. He continued: "May I suggest that we all play it vague". A complete denial that there is dissatisfaction would be untrue, while a factual statement of the points we do plan to put to Nicholas would be indiscreet and only lead to more questions."

The campaign came to a head at a meeting of the constituency selection committee last Monmending Mr Scott's readoution was shelved; instead, there was a vote of 11 to 10 in fevour of an amendment by which Mr Scott would be considered with

some others. Mr Beale, in a letter to The Times yesterday, denied that ideological matters were the main criticism directed against Mr Scott. He also denied suggestions that he was leading a campaign against Mr Scott.

In fact, while criticism of Mr Scott's position on the left of the party was not the only point brought against him last Monday, it was certainly a part of the case against him, which was

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Share prices slump again

Share prices fell sharply again Palestinian guerrillas occupying on the London stock market a Crusader castle kept watch yesterday, with the FT Index for Israeli tanks as all sides in Share prices fell sharply again on the London stock market yesterday, with the FT Index losing 14.5 points to close at 505.5. The losses were blamed on another batch of disappointing company profits which reinforced investors' doubts about the health of some sections of British industry Page 17

Another £20m for Rolls-Royce

Rolls-Royce has received a £20m cash injection from the National Emerprise Board. This takes the form of a loan and share capital, and follows detailed negotiations between the company, the NEB and the Department of Industry Page 17

Lance departure helps President

The resignation of Mr Bert Lance as Director of the Budget has removed a disrupting prob-lem from the Washington scene President Carter should now be able to resume work on urgent internal and external issues

Cheap flights: Final obstacles have been removed in the way of Laker Airways' cheap transarlantic flights, which begin on

Farmers' plea: Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, has rejected pleas by the farmers' unions for a devaluation of the "green pound "

Vietnamese: Refugees rescued from sea by Norwegian ship produce the woman who organized their escape 8 Rhodesia: Nun charged with spreading alarm and despondency is deported

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Lull in Lebanon fighting

Theatre gift: Mr Donald Sinden, chairman of

the British Theatre Museum, accepting from Miss Lynn Fontanne a copy of Shakespeare's

King Lear, with a celebrated actress's advice

to a young girl. The actress was Ellen Terry, who

appeared as Cordelia opposite Henry Irving in 1892. She was impressed by the young Lynn Fontanne, who was taken to see her and to whom she gave her copy of the play. It is heavily

the Lebanon fighting rested their troops. Lorries and tankers were seen moving up supplies from the Israeli border Page 7

From Diana Geddes

Sheffield

Education Correspondent

Provision should be made in

schools for the exceptionally gifted child, Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said yesterday. She also called for more choice

for parents in the type of school to which they could send their

Williams has suggested in public that the child with an abnormally high IQ should be

given special treatment to meet his or her particular needs in

It is the first time that Mrs

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dards and equal educational opportunities for children. Equality of opportunity must be established through second-**Briton feared** murdered in Uganda

Ministerial aid for gifted pupils

spectors and Educational Advisers, which represents 2,300 school advisory staff employed by local authorities. About 700

are educational psychologists,

who play an important part in identifying gifted pupils. Mrs Williams said she did not

accept that there was any antagonism between the highest academic and pastoral stan-dards and equal educational

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, Sept 22 Mr Robert Scaplon, the British-born engineer arrested in Uganda early in June on a charge of spying, is feared to

Uganda radio today quoted a military spokesman as saying that Mr Scanlon had escaped two weeks ago from a military prison somewhere in Uganda. The spokesman said he had been arrested "while on a spying mission for the British imperialists", and added: "It was apparent that Scanlon was stolen from prison by the British imperialist intelligence for whom he was spying.

"As such, the Uganda
Government no longer holds
itself responsible for him. It is
the British imperialists who
have stolen him who are now
responsible for him."

Informed sources here consider there is no possibility that Mr Scanlon is still alive and believe he bas probably murdered while in custody. However, there is no evidence and there may never be any. He has not been seen by any diplomatic or other independent observer since his arrest.

Mrs Scanlon left Uganda recently for Britain. The radio announced that Mr Scanlon was due to appear for trial next week, although no hint had ever been given before that he was about to be tried. In the war about to be tried.

It recalled how Mr Scanlon was grante? Ugandan citizenship in 1975, when he was among Britons who carried President Amin in a chair, in a "stunt" designed to illustrate the white many hundred.

the white man's burden. Mr Scanlon had been in Uganda for more than 10 years, and at one time ran his own electrical contracting business. He had recently been engaged

as service manager for Cooper A Uganda Army officer and three Air Force officers have been charged with treason and plotting to overthrow President Amin in June.

Cuts bring 'the decline of British science'

By Pearce Wright The decline of British science was marked formally yesterday. It came from Sir Sam Edwards, FRS, who said that the Science Research Council, from which he retired as chairman this month, "cannot fulfil its obliga-tions".

who need one kind of positive discrimination or another in their favour if that phrase [equal opportunity] is to be anything other than a modern."

She said she meant in particular ethnic minorities, children who live in high-rise

flats, the handicapped, the dyslexic, and even the excep-tionally gifted who make

anything other mockery".

annotated with her notes on the part and the production. With it she added an accompanying note, which reads, in part: "Don't worry about the words—but rather the significance of the words—the meaning of the words, Get the character of Cordelia through her words and the words spoken about her." The script was bound in brocade by Miss Fontanne, who has owned it for more than seventy years. She was married to Alfred Lunt, who died last month.

applies to groups of disadvan-taged children.

She was speaking at the annual conference of the National Association of In-who need one kind of positive

The effects of inflation and government policies over the past few years produced, first, an enforced moratorium on scientific development, which had turned into an erosion of standards in the United Kingdom of higher education and

research. research.

He made clear that some of the most huriful economies were in subjects in which contributions from the universities and research groups were open-

ing new fields in science.

That applies particularly to astronomy and space research, which is facing a £5m a year cut. Work on special X-ray telescopes designed for launching above the atmosphere by sounding rockets and space craft are producing a new map of the sky, with stars and galaxies observed, not seen from terrestial telescopes on the earth. There is a comparable situation in high-energy particle physics.

The latter was a subject of astonishing richness, he said. and was one of those areas of other branches of research. The simple point is that the of engineering and science.

Science Research Council underpins the bulk of research in natural sciences by supporting natural sciences by supporting more than three thousand young postgraduates, by paying for special research equipment in universities and by providing a number of its own large research institutes such as the Appleton Laboratory (for radio research), the Royal Greenwich Observatory and Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, the Daresbury and Rutherford laboratories (for high-energy physics and laser research). They provide national centres containing immensely expensive equipment for "big science" projects.

Sir Sam became chairman of the council when the provisional budger five years ago was 5145m a year with a plan for an increase to £162m by 1977. In practice the present amount is £133m, which represents a decline to minus 8.4 per cent as opposed to an expected 12 per cent growth

He said the council needed an additional £25m over the next five years.

In present economic circumstances the council has been forced to reduce the highenergy physics and space science programmes, at the sacrifice of much excellent research and under-exploitation of research in which excitement international research facilities, could engender enthusiasm in available to the council, in

Three cut way out of cell

Three Italians, alleged to be Magistrates' Court, Arbour involved in a £172m inter-Square, Stepney, took the national fraud, cut their way to louvred windows from a roof freedom from an east London

ventilator and crawled through court cell vesterday. The three men were named A detective who saw them as Umberto Frascatti, aged 35, court cell vesterday. breaking our grappled with one a bank manager; Autonio of them on a rooftop in an un-Paoalia, aged 32, a Canadian successful artempt to stop citizen; and Pier Luigi Torri, them. Two other prisoners try ared 33, a banker. The police ing to escape were stopped.

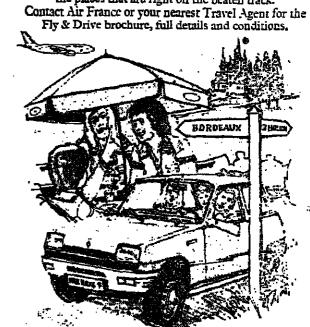
A police officer said the men people by getting them to incut a bar in their cell at Thames vest up to \$300m in mining

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Minister attacks Labour study group proposals to cut defence spending by £1,800m

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

The controversial report by a Labour Party study group that urges the Government to cut Britain's defence spending by an annual £1,800m was finally unveiled yesterday.

Its object, according to Mr Ian Mikardo, MP, chairman of the group, is to show how the defence portion of the gross national product could be reduced to the same level as that of our main European

study, which is being published as a paperback, Sense about Defence, does not include a dissenting report by three government members of the group, Mr Gilbert, Minister of State for Defence, Mr Well-beloved, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the RAF, and Mr Tomlinson, Under-Secretary of State at the Foreign and Com-monwealth Office. Mr Mikardo said their critique had arrived

He added that it was also too late for the study to form the basis for discussion at this year's party conference.

Mr Gilbert called his own press briefing. He emphasized that the proposals do not form part of the policy of the Labour Party or even its national executive. Further defence cuts would be undesirable, he said, and the substantial reductions envisaged by the group would be highly irresponsible.

Mr Mulley, Secretary of State for Defence, who is in Saudi Arabia this week signing a new £500m defence contract, has already dissociated himself from the group and its findings.

The response from the Con-servative Party was swift and aggressive yesterday. Sir Ian

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said the report was the "same old dreary gramophone record transport fleets. But spending of the extreme left." The proposals were ridiculous. The Harrier and Jaguar aircraft to Government needed to raise defence spending rather than Tornado.

Mr Geoffrey Pattie, secretary of the Conservative defence committee, said the book was nor entitled to be taken seriously.

The study group, which has academics, trade unionists and academics, trade unionists and MPs among its 33 members, suggests several package options, each of which would save £1,000m at 1975 prices by 1980-81. a long-standing target of the party's left wing.

All the three main packages include scrapping the Polaris strategic deterrent force to save £75m, reducing those Berish forces remaining out-

save £75m, reducing those British forces remaining out-side the Nato areas (£25m) and in support costs The remaining £550m would

The remaining £550m would be found by adopting any two of the following three options:
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destroyers;
Army: Reducing the British
Army of the Rhine from 55,000 troops to about 30,000 with appropriate equipment losses

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reductions in the tanker and compensate for the loss of the

The report comments There is no suggestion of disarming Britain and we cer-tainly hope that the debate on these proposals will recognize that we are proposing to defend ourselves in a more rational way, at a more appropriate cost."

The report argues that the

Soviet Union is more interested in preserving the status quo than in aggression against the West. It emphasizes that it does not want Britain's Nato allies to make good any losses in the country's contribution. The losses would be small anyway. The proposed reduction in the size of BAOR would amount to only 3.9 per cent of Nato comhat and direct-support troops in North and Central Europe.

Mr Mikardo argued at a press

yesterday that to raise Nato spending would only fuel the arguments of hawks in the Kremlin, whereas the West should encourage those Russians who would prefer to pursue detente policies. The report estimates that

nearly a million people are employed in the defence sector. A further 350,000 are in-directly employed on arma-Cuts of £1.800m would mean

the loss of 50,000 jobs a year for five years, it estimates, and acknowledges that there would be difficulties in some areas. But 180,000 people change jobs every year anyway. Sense about Defence (Quartet Books, 950).

Dewars

Large wage increase sought by seamen

By Christopher Thomas Labour Reporter

A "substantial" pay claim was lodged with the General Council of British Shipping yesterday by the National Union of Seamen. It came a day after the Merchant Navy officers bad presented a demand for 17 per

The council said it would consult member companies before replying to the claim on November 8, but it made clear that the closest attention would be paid to the Government's 10 per cent guidelines.

The seamen's four-point claim raises the contentious issue of "captive" time, which is when a man is required to stay on board outside normal working hours but may not be called

on to work.

The union wants an increase in annual holiday leave and compensatory leave. The mennow get 61 days a year, of which 34 are compensation for weekends at sea. Last year the employers promised to increase compensatory days by 11 when pay policy allowed, and to give more annual leave.

The union is also seeking con-solidation of the 5 per cent phase two supplement into basic rates for calculation for

overtime pay.

The executive of the Merchant Navy and Airline Officers Association is to meet next Friday to consider its response to pay talks with the response to pay tasks with the employers two days ago. Four unions representing 45,000 officers are planning a joint approach with the General Council of British Shipping to try to synchronize the pay anniversary date with the seamen.

TEACHERS

Big city councils back Chancellor's wage limits

the Government's income policy: in the public sector improved significantly yesterday when leaders of the big city countils unanimously agreed to support pay restraint. Their decision sets the pattern for public service wage negotiations covering nearly 2,500,000 workers.

Ministers will however, draw only innited satisfaction from a policy decision by the Transport and General Workers Union. The union's executive council is understood to be backing the 12-month rule, which allows only one pay rise a year, but negotia-tors will not be bound by the Government's 10 per cent limit

on increases in carnings.

The Association of Municipal Authorities, representing the seven big cities, decided to sup-port a directive from the Local

abour Editor that all settlements in the coming year must keep within Mr
The prospects of sustaining Healey's guideline of singlefigure increases, to keep the rise in earnings to 10 per cent. The pressure from local authorities extends beyond pay to the political postures councils should adopt. A confidential circular from Mr Brian Rush bridge, secretary of Lacsab, im-presses on authorities the need to avoid negotiating local agree-ments and public statements and/or resolutions that bear

upon national wage bargaining. The Government regards forthcoming negotiations in the public service as highly sensi-tive. Mr Jack Smart, chairman of the Association of Metro-politan Authorities, said: "We are totally committed to sup-porting the Government's pay policy guidelines. There can be no robbing Peter to pay Paul within the local government.

with one group of employees in the hope that another group will settle for less.

" All local authorities should act together on this, Individual authorities must resist the pressures and temptations to so it alone and make individual settlements outside the guide

The AMA chairman added that the consequences of fail-ing to hold to the guidelines would be "dire indeed", not only in financial terms, since local government is circum-scribed by cash limits, but also for employment prospects.

Local government employment in England and Wales now totals almost 2,500,000, or one in 12 of the nation's labour force. Three main groups ac-count for most of the £7,300m annual wage bill: manual work-

and vastly increased fringe benefits to take effect from November 1 teachers, £2,600m, whose settlement is due on April 1 next year; and administrative, professional and tech-nical staff, whose salaties total £1,800m a year and who are not due for their next rise until July 1 next.

Two other groups who are claiming special case rear-ment for rises two or three times bigger than the Govern-ment's norm, policester and firemen, are also covered by negotiations this autumn under the public service umbrella.

Mr Smart made clear yester. day that special treatment for those groups would be paid for by the Covernment rather than the retepayers.

- Shop stewards representing 20,000 Chrysler car workers decided yesterday to accept a

Threat of strike against sanctions

From Christopher Walker

Opposition mounted throughout Northern Ireland yesterday to the Government's threat to impose financial sanctions against a Belfast engineering

against a Beirart engineering firm that recently negotiated a 22 per cent pay deal with its four thousand workers.

Last night Mr James Graham, secretary of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions, said the matter might develop into a clash with the Consentant the Government.
At noon the deadline for the

ultimatum imposed on the tex-tile machinery firm of James Mackie and Son passed with no

job for

hard work

An industrial tribunal at Birmingham ruled yesterday that it was wrong to dismiss a

woman for working too hard. It ordered £467 compensation for Mrs Evelyn Mackenzie, aged 35, of Glascote Heath, Tamworth, for unfair dismissal.

The tribunal said the sum would have been bigger if Mrs Mackenzie had not been a fifth

Mackenzie had not been a fifth to blame. She had disobeyed

orders to take as a night off one of her six night shifts a week between Monday and Saturday.

Mrs Mackenzie was night shift superintendent for the Birmingham Taxi Owners' Association. She earned £54 a

week, including overtime, for organizing the work of radio-controlled taxis.

College course

Undertakings that a social work course threatened with

as planned were given to Mr Justice Lawson by the authori-

Students had backed legal

action to keep the cours open.

Twenty-nine students had been

accepted for the two-year course, due to start on Monday.

Polytechnic yesterday. The National Union

Bakers' leader

resigns because

of 'left influence' Mr Christopher Child has

Workers' Union because of the

left-wing influence in its leader-

national president for eight years and a member of the union for 30 years, said last night that it was a matter of

honour. He was disgusted by the recent national strike, which was unnecessary. The which was unnecessary. The union had not gone through the conciliation procedure, and many things could have been He said his resignation had been accepted in a letter from Mr Samuel Maddox, general secretary of the union. He had been given three days to return his keys, briefcase, metal filing

cabinet, pocket tape recorder and any other union property.

Couple accused

Two Americans were remar

ded in custody for a week by magistrates at Epsom, Surrey,

yesterday accused of abducting Mr Kirk Anderson, aged 21, a

Miss Joyce McInney, aged 27, and Keith Joseph May, aged 24, were charged with forcibly abducting and unlawfully

abducting and unlawfully imprisoning Mr Anderson at Okehampron, Devon They were

also charged with possessing

Arson not ruled out

imitation revolver with intent to commit an offence at Banstead Road, Ewell.

As fire investigators searched the wreckage of a warehouse

photographs and film shots

at Reading, in which two fire-men died and studied hundreds

of the fire, Mr Thomas Ingram, deputy chief fire officer for

Berkshire, said yesterday: "Arson has not been ruled

have attacked the move on the ground that it is a threat to

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to stay open

or workers were prepared to climb down. Negotiations between senior civil servants and company executives continued. The company is noted for its obsessive secrecy.
Workers at the main factory in the back streets of west

Last night Stormont sources said that a government state-ment was expected soon.

in the back streets or west Belfast threatened ar imme-diate walk-out if any renego-tiated deal resulted in a cut in the extra pay they have been taking home since August 1. Many pointed out that wages at the company were much at the company were much lower than those paid in com-parable local industries.

There is one claim for 45 per cent and another for 40 per cent. Mr Concannon, Minister

Much is at stake. Of claims

put in by workers at 14 engin-

eering works in the private sec-

tor, it was learnt yesterday only

four are below 30 per cent.

Mr Concannon, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, threatened withdrawal of export credit guarantees covering orders from Vietnam and Tanzania worth well over fom Hundreds of jobs might be at risk, and other companies would be seriously affected if the Vietnam order had to be scramed scrapped. Leading article, page 13

Woman loses | Concern in Chelsea over Tory MP's views

Among the other points raised were Mr Scott's separation and subsequent divorce, which had brought unfavourable publicity in Mr Beale's view; bis association with certain comments and tain companies in property and secondary banking; and criti-cisms that he had neglected the constituency. Mr Beale con-ceded that Mr Scott had taken steps to answer the criticisms. Mr Beale pointed out that Mr

Scott had been honorary president of the Tory Reform Group since its formation in 1975. He continued: "He also appears to back various causes which are no doubt valid in themselves but harman also to be selves but happen also to be themes advocated by Edward Heath, allegedly to differen-tiate himself from Margaret Thatcher.

After tine hearing she said: I worked six nights a week "These include devolution to for four years. It was necessary to get the job done." a Scottish assembly, electoral reform at Westminster, direct

elections to the European Par-liament by a system of propor-tional representation, etc. Rightly or wronely Scott is looked upon as a leading mem-ber of an "anti-Thatcher" group, although he stoutly de-nies this."

Mr Beale conceded, Mr Scott had made no secret of the fact that he was generally on the left of the party. That attitude seemed to lead burn to support causes that Mr Beale, thought were questionable, such as Shelter and Crisis at Christmas. Apart from his letter to The Times, Mr Beale has been reduc-tant to comment. At the Chelsea constituency office yesterday

his assistant said he had been our since early morning, and she did not know where he was On the other hand, Mr Craig-Cooper made no bones about his irritation with Mr Beale's methods. He was particularly incensed by the implication, as

he saw it, in Mr Beale's letter to The Times that it was be (Mr Craig-Cooper) who had started investigating complaints against Mr Scott while he was still chairman of the associa-"I consider that I have been extremely badly treated by Beale", he said. "I really did expect, after my period of office ended in February, and

formation that had been achieved that I would have been allowed what I would consider a well earned rest from the affairs of the Chelsea Conservative Association." Mr. Craig-Cooper regards him-self as being to the right of Mr Scott, and to the left of Mr

in view of the financial trans

He also complains of having been at the receiving end of harassing communications from Mr Beale during the final phase of his chairmanship. He says he reported Mr Beale's the Conservative Central Office

The next step in the controv ersy will be a meeting next Tuesday of the constituency party's executive, when Mr Scott is expected to defend his

One factor in the dispute is the feeling among the Chelsea Young Conservatives that there should be a more open method

Compulsory Mili Britain a Prime Mir seat belts for Ulster

From a Staff Reporter
Belfast

The Government is planning to make the wearing of san belts compulsory for all driver; and front-seat passengers is Northern Ireland for a limited experimental period beginnin early next year.

It is understood that the controversial announcement will be made in a speech to be differed in Newcastle, to Down tonight by Mr Carter; Under the decision is believed thave been taken partly as result of police pressure because of the continuing hig level of road accidents in the province, which is notorious for its poor driving.

its poor driving.
In 1976 three hundred peop were killed on the roads against 247 from terrorist incidents. further 7,319 people were further 3,319 people were further stratic situation Mr. Kennes Newman, Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster-Constability, d scribed the overall statistics

appailing. Several factors have bee held to blame for the errar standard of driving in Uste including the civil integrated high intake of alcohol and it lack of road safety skills Our Motoring Corresponde Officers: A report published Officers of being killed in a road ac

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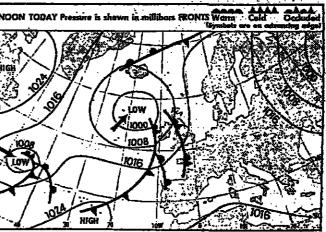
of being killed in a road ac dear in Ulster were doub those of anywhere else in Br ain and that fewer than 15 g cent of drivers and frontse passengers were belts.

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Weather forecast and recordings



Sun rises: Sun sets: Moon sets : Moon rises : 4.58 pm Full moon: September 27. Lighting up: 7.27 pm to 6.20 am. Lighting up: 7.27 pm to 6.20 am. High water: London Bridge, 10.49 am, 6.1m (20.1ft); 11.37 pm (6.4m, 21ft). Avonmouth, 4.22 am, 10.5m (34.5ft); 5.6 pm, 11.3m (37ft). Dover, 8.30 am, 5.8m (18.9ft); 9.12 pm, 5.9m (19.4ft). Hull, 3.4 am, 6.2m (20.4ft); 3.57 pm, 6.4m (21ft). Liverpoot, 8.45 am, 7.9m (25.9ft); 9.13 pm, 8.3m (27.3ft).

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Borders, Edinburgh, Durdee and Aberdeen: Mainly dry, cloudy, bright intervals developing; wind variable or SE, light, increasing moderate; max temp ing; wind variable of S.E., light, increasing moderate; max temp 16°C (51°F).

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S. moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate. St George's Channel: Wind SE, fresh or strong; sea moderate or



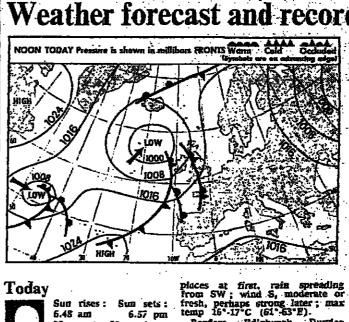
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Forecasts for 6 am to midnight:

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The Prime Minister, most of the Cabinet and the majority of Labour supporters say no, but last year the Labour Party Conference voted in favour of nationalisation.

We (the banks named below) have been asking you, through these Banks Debate Broadsheets, what you think.

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Independent polls.

Since the Debate was opened, there have also been two public opinion polls by independent organisations on this important issue. Both interviewed a complete cross section of the British public. One was conducted in July by Market & Opinion Research International (MORI) and the other in August by Gallup.

One of MORI's questions asked, "Do you think this industry (banking) should be nationalised?" 74% said no; 14% said yes. The remainder were uncommitted.

Concerning the Banks Debate itself, 90% of people said that they liked being given the chance to express their views. So we're printing some of the actual questions from both polls here, with the results. You might like to tick the appropriate boxes and see whether your opinion matches up with the majority view.

If you'd like to send us the page when you've filled it in, we will be pleased to add it to the growing fund of information on the public's opinion about the future of its banks.

Banks and their customers.

1. "If the banks were nationalised, custom-

ers would get better service than they do now."

2. "If the banks were nationalised, bank, charges would go up."



PUBLIC OPINION

YOUR OPINION Theywouldn't

3. "If the banks were nationalised, there would be a wider choice of services than there is at present."

4. "If the banks were nationalised, the

standard of manage-ment would rise."

Banks and Britain.

5. "If the banks were nationalised, do you think they would do a better or worse job for Britain?"

6. "If the banks were nationalised, it would be good for investment in Britain."

YOUR OPINION It wouldn't

Banks and Investment.

7. "The Government would be likely to make better use of the banks' money than the banks do now

8. "The Government would use some of banks' customers' money to support unsuccessful businesses."

YOUR OPINION
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9. "If the banks were nationalised, people would be less willing to save or invest their money in them."

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A Conservative government would restore direct-grant schools and initiate financial assistance for parents who centres of academic excellence chose to send their children to and can provide a good educathem, Mr Norman St John-Stevas, opposition spokesman on education, said yesterday. I., a party policy statement,

he said that he revival and sive schools, he said. enlargement of the direct-tront system was a high vriority of the Conservatives. en detections support for it would be sought through Parperate an "assisted places schools to them to provide a scheme", whereby parents geographical spread throughwould be subsidized in paying our the country. tuition fees according to thir

The Conservatives acknowleaged the role of comprehensive schools in the mainstream

difficulties

highlighted

Many schools find it diffi-

cult to give pupils a realistic insight into the world of work, Mr J. M. Crawford. Chief Education Officer of Birming-

ham, says in a report on teaching difficulties in the city

Other pressures on teachers

include the question of how to

reply to criticism from outside the school and how to persuade

parents and pupils of the value

of academic discipline and work

in a world where those quali-

ties did not necessarily lead to

Mr Crawford's report has

been considered by several sub-committees of the education committee, to which it will be presented next week. He will be following up its main con-

clusions and a copy will be sent to the Department of Edu-cation and Science.

Mr Crawford says that not all

and educating for earning is a

problem urgently deserving furtner attention". Agam, al-

though new examinations had fostered the development of

assessment techniques over a

ties. "some courses and certifi-cates have not gained credibil-ity with the outside world by

comparison with the traditional

He adds that some teachers have not had the training

needed to enable them to meet

the challenges of a first teach-

ing post with confidence. One

example is inexperience in the handling of classes of immi-

querienced teachers often find the content of their specialist fields changing pos-

sibly reflecting developments at university level, and they too

need the help of in-service training.

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From Arthur Osman

Birmingham

lar subjects and striving for high academic standards. "The ex-direct-grant schools are centres of academic excellence school." tion for gifted children who, as the Secretary of State herself ha: admitted, cannot be suitably educate din comprehen-

The Conservatives would aim to restore the status of the 172 former direct-grant schools in England and Wales, and add enough former maintained grammar and independent

ou the country.

"All the available money from public funds would be devoted to a scheme for the partial or total remission of of secondary education for the boarders alike, in accordance their foreseeable future but there with a generous income scale". The remained a need for selective Mr St John-Stevas said. "We sharp

tion authorities. He estimated that the scheme would cost about £50m a year to run, com-pared with £38m paid to direct schools in 1975-76, their last full year in operation.

A minimum of a quarter of entrants to the direct-grant schools would be drawn from local state primary schools. He saw direct-grant schools with assisted places not as a

want every parent in every part National Union of Teachers. Mr o fine country to have the Fred Jarvis, its general secre-chance to compete for a place tary, said: "Our impression is for their child at a direct-grant that the general wish of the population is for selection in Subsidies to parents would secondary education to be be available directly from the phased out. The resuscitation Government, largely by-passing of highly selective schools would administration by local educathe clock back by several years."

> The proposals were given only a lukewarm reception by Conference, which includes 75 of the 119 former direct grant schools that have decided to go independent.

Dr John Rae, chairman of the conference, and Headmaster Westminster School, said that, while he welcomed any threat to the comprehensive move that would encourage system but as a means of filling independent and maintained some gaps and widening schools to work more closely parents' educational choice for together, he was not sure that tuition fees for day pupils and parents ensembled their children.

The announcement brought a was the best means of achieving that cooperation.

ation of Inspectors and Educational Advisers, in Sheffield, she referred to the growing interest of parents in the edu-cation system. On the Taylor report, published earlier this week, which advocates more power for parents on school governing bodies, she said she

hoped that it would stimulate a

lot of discussion and that

people would not try to make up their minds on it too But beyond Taylor, Mrs Williams said, there remained such matters as how much information purents should get

ference of the National Associ- fifth and sixth forms: and to what extent the wishes of par-ents on the choice of school should be respected.

On the appointment of head teachers, Mrs Williams said much more needed to be done in their training before as well as after their appointment, A half-hour interview was not adequate.

She would be in favour of something along the lines of the staff training college for civil servants where courses would be given to those wanting to apply for headships, where they would be trained and assessed at the same time. But it would be up to the local authorities to about what schools had to be up to the local authorities to offer; whether parents should decide whether they wanted a bave a say in what their child should be able to learn in the gramme.

Appeals to devalue green pound rejected

Air Correspondent
The Civil Aviation Authority, in a decision announced yester-day, cleared the final obstacles Mr Silkin, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food-yesterday again rejected pleas out of the way for Laker Airvays' walk-on, cheap-fare North Atlantic scheduled service to begin on Monday. by the leaders of the United Kingdom's farmers' unions for It placed the Laker service a devaluation of the "green pound". Devaluation would raise farmers' prices but also on equal terms with the stand-

By Arthur Reed

by services the big airlines have increase food prices.
The farmers, led by Sir Henry rushed through in opposition by agreeing that the independent airline could sell seats Plumb, president of the National Farmers Union of from 4 am each day at the airport of departure, Gatwick, England and Wales, had asked as well as town offices. It also agreed that vouchers that could Mr Silkin for a devaluation of 12) to 71 per cent now and be exchanged for tickets could 5 per cent at the end of the be sold by travel agents.
The aviation authority will

Mr Silkin said the prospects for farmers in the coming months were brighter. With the prospect of forecasts of a rule later on whether Laker should have power to fly unlimited frequencies, rather than the one flight a day to which it is himited under the terms of its present licence. bumper harvest this year being proved true and with plentiful supplies of fodder for livestock From Monday it will be possible to fly between Loudon and this winter, he maintained an optimistic outlook for the farm-New York for £59 single on

ing industry.
"The industry has recovered well from last year's drought and in several major sectors production this year is showing a marked improvement. Feed-ingstuff prices have fallen and the industry generally can face the winter with some confi-

The NFU said later that it believed that the decision not to devalue was wrong. Unsatis-factory production trends could be reversed and the Govern-ment's policy of agricultural expansion implemented only if farmers had the resources and confidence to undertake the necessary investment

An early decision on milk prices after next January and a recalculation of the monetary compensatory amounts on pig-meat were also important. The minister had agreed on those

view on nationality The Liberal Party's com-

Lord Avebury, the party's spokesman on race relations and immigration, said yesterday that there was a fundamental difference between the approach of the Government and the Liberals. While the Government continued to divide citizens into two classes, re-placing patrial and non-patrial

only one class of citizen. People living in dependencies and displaced United Kingdom passport holders should have the same right as British residents to enter the United Kingdom.

craft flying around that are just about to break up and fall to the ground." But there might have to be more frequent inspections of older aircraft, and it could be that the increased number of inspections would make those aircraft uneconomic to operate. In its annual repo report the

At a press conference in London on the annual report and accounts yesterday, Mr M.

Vivian, controller of safety for

the authority, reported progress on an inquiry that a subcom-mittee of the Airworthiness

Requirements Board is making

into the safety life of older eir

liners. The inquiry was estab-lished after a failure of the

tail unit of a Dan-Air Boeing

Mr Vivian said: "There is

no need for anyone to think

there is a whole mass of air-

707 on a flight in Africa.

authority said that in the finan-cial year 1976.77 it had converted a loss of £9m for the previous year into a profit of £263,000 on the operations where it had full financial con-Laker. Stand-by fares on the big airlines, already on offer,

are £64 single.

Laker Akways will be offering a total of 2,415 seats each week. The six bigger airlines. But on those activities where the Government's international or social policies prevented the authority from charging eco-British Airways, Pon American, Trans World, Iranair, El Al, and Air-India with licences to pick up passengers in London for New York, will be offering between them a rotal of 2,900 nomic rates for its services— Eurocontrol air traffic control services and the Scottish High-lands and islands airports— the authority lost £32.9m, com-pared with a loss of £39.4m in the previous year.

Liberals oppose official

Obstacles to Laker

flights removed

munity relations panel, in a document to be submitted to-morrow to a conference in London on nationality and immigra-tion, is strongly critical of the Government's proposals for a new interpretation of British

with British citizen and British overseas citizen, the Liberals maintained that there should be

implied that the colonies would always be colonies, while the Liberals hoped that the number of dependencies would rapidly diminish.

The new nationality law should not discriminate on grounds of either race or sex. Lord Avebury said, adding that the Green Paper condoned an element of sexual discrimina-

Lord Avebury will chair the conference, which has been called by the Joint Council on the Welfare of Immigrants and the National Association of Community Relations Councils. reform: Political reform: Political reform is one of the most urgent and pressing issues facing Britain, Mr Alan Beith, Liberal Chief Whip, said yesterday on the publication of a report to go before the Liberal Porty conference next week. The report, Reform of Government, argues the case for elec-toral reform, devolution and decentralization, a Bill of Rights, onited Aingdom.

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adopting a blanket anti-nuclear

attitude to the proposal. It con-

premature. "We want protec-

tion; we do not want to stop the development", he said.

Woman in pose as man married a girl of 19

Marion Yerrill, aged 39, posed as a man to marry a girl, it was alleged at St Albans. Crown Court yesterday. She was said to be already married and to have convinced the "bride" and friends and relatives that she was a man. She even showed a photograph of a baby that she said was her son from a former relationship. Mrs Yerrill, of Parkfields, Welwyn Garden City, Hertford shire, pleaded guilty to signing a false declaration to obtain a marriage, and bigamy.

Mr Gordon Ward, for the prosecution, said: "Yerrill was born and brought up as a gir.

and married as a women in 1967. She lived with her hus band as man and wife but started posing as a man, wearing men's clothes and using man's name, usually Pau Jennings.

"In 1975 she met Carolin Grant, aged 19, through a day

ing agency and they went out together. She was trying to con wince the girl that she would make a suitable husband. Later she went to Hertron Register Office and gave he age as 23 and a marriage was

age as 23 and a marriage wa arranged.
"They lived together for twand a half months after thei honeymoon but then Mr Yerrill suddenly left. Sh reappeared three days later an explained that she could no live the lie any longer."

Mr Ward said Mrs Yerri was having hormone treatmer-before the offence, and it was

still continuing.

Mrs Yerrill, a former privat dock wearing a grey check sui-collar and tie with short dar. hair and a beard. She was freed by

Anwyl-Davies, QC, and given two-year conditional dischars and ordered to pay £250 cost The judge told Mrs Yerrill "This is possibly a unique example of the cruelty in nature. You had to live with this burden for all these year and nothing but compassio your predicament, which, for

many years to come.

"You were forced to lead life of deception, but I have life to bear in mind the bin." deception on Miss Grant, Hohopes of happiness were bitter? hopes of happiness were unterdeshed by your disclosure."

Mr Frank Stock, for the defence, said Mrs Yerrill were she were the said Mrs Yerrill were she were shown as the she was th an emotional wreck. She warying to get a divorce and sex change operation. SI was born a girl but throughorher life she has had none the emotions, instincts desires of a woman."

Mrs Thatcher begins tour of Highlands

Mrs Thatcher began a be copter tour of the Highlan yesterday the first full day her Scottish visit. She descende on the oil platform yard Highlands Fabricators at Nison the Cromarty Firth, a walked around the works. walked around the works,
She flew with her husbar and Mr Russell Fairgrie chairman of the Scottish Co servative Party and MP Aberdeenshire, West, to Invest

At Brora on the Sutherla coast, she landed in a sche playing field and visited wooflen mill. Speaking at lunch for party workers Larg, she attacked nationals tion as profitless and destruct of the incentive to work. of the incentive to work said it was not surprising that island areas, where transp was difficult, the question subsidies was frequently rais but unless large and sm businesses and manufacturi industry made a profit the could be no subsidies. Mrs Thatcher's tour continued to

today with visits to an emandation and ing works in Inverness, the Russian ar Kinloss, and Loss

Cat costs £350 fine

Patricia Labrousse, aged a French student, was no £350 with £66 costs by So hampton magistrates yestere after she had admitted smigling her kitten, into Engla in contravention of the at rabics regulations.

City teaching Minister calls for greater choice

From Our Education Correspondent

> Parents should have more choice between different types of school, provided it was not just a question of getting the best for their own child at the expense of others, Mrs Williams, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said

She said she would not be against the idea that parents should be able to take account of the internal organization of a school, such as whether it had a traditional or more relaxed system of discipline.

Speaking at the annual con-

Analysis of exam grading shows no great change From Our Education Correspondent

Unpublished figures from employers appreciate the objectives of making changes in the curriculum "beyond providing basic literacy and numeracy and striking a balance between educating for living and educating for providing and educating for providing and educating for providing the control of the con an analysis of examination grading standards show no significant move towards either greater leniency or greater severity over the seven-year period up to 1975. Sir Alex Smith, Director of Manchester Polytechnic and chairman of the Schools Council, said yesterday.

Speaking of the annual conference of the National Association of Inspectors and Educational Advisers, he disclosed the latest research findings of Dr A. S. Wilmott, whose report on the comparability of CSE and GCE grading standards up to 1973 caused such controversy when it was published

The latest results of Dr Wilmott's analysis seemed to show that, while there had been a slight move towards greater leniency in the GCE sector in 1974 (0.13 of a grade), there had been an equal move back employers towards greater severity in

In the CSE sector it had been the other way round: an apparent slight rise in standards (0.04 of a grade) in 1974 and an equally slight drop in grading standards in 1975.

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'Sixth-formers can bridge academic gap'

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Independent schools can help to bridge the widening gulf between themselves and the maintained sector by contribut-ing to the maintenance of academic standards in state schools, Mr J. C. Dancy, Princi-pal of St Luke's College, Exeter, said at the annual meeting of the Headmasters' Conference, in Oxford, yesterday.

There was a feeling in many

public schools that, having taken a disproportionate share out of the pool of talent, they should put back a disproportionate amount of something, he said. They could do, and were already doing that, in the area of academic standards.

ane present grants to

employers in maintaining trainee recruitment introduced

as a means to combat youth

year if the Government accepts

the recommendations of an

advisory group.
It will be replaced by a per-

manent scheme to ensure that

agencies together train enough workers. The report of the

Vital Skills Task Group drawn from the CBI, the TUC and the education service, which was set up by Mr Booth, Secretary of State for Employment, will

go to the manpower service commissioners next week. It

will recommend giving the com-

mission overall responsibility for forecasting training require-

ments and for ensuring that

The National Union

Journalists came under further

pressure yesterday to back down from its stand over a closed shop for more than a hundred journalists centred on

The National Graphical Asso-

ciation decided to support the TUC printing industries committee in telling the NUJ that it could not impose preconditions in a mediation move by the Advisor Conditions and

the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas).

they are met.

Darlington.

skilled workers proposed

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Pressure on NUJ grows

tions in a mediation move by to consider its response. It has the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service (Acas).

Last week the NUJ executive committee by Wednesday.

training

by encouraging the younger members of staff in independ-ent schools to join their own subject association and to share its work of curricular development, of producing journals, and organizing conferences The independent schools had

already made an important contribution to the develop-ment of new curricula, such as Nuffield science and the schools mathematics project.

They could also develop a special relationship with sixth form colleges, including sharing of facilities, especially libraries, and of the less economical sub-

The enormous expertise of f academic standards. the public schools could be One way, he suggested, was used to help gifted children.

boards and other

industry training organizations

to make most of the arrange-

ments, supplementing their pro-

Each spring the boards would

be required to submit and fore-

cast their programmes to enable the commission to decide what

is needed to top up the pro-grammes and to fill any gaps.

The CBI has already rejected

the idea that employers should contribute to a central training fund, and the task group sug-

gests the provision of a per

Some kinds of temporary

grants will continue to be paid

under the Government's nev

long-term programme to pro-

vide opportunities for unem-

decided by 10 votes to nine that any settlement arising from mediation must uphold its declared policy of seeking 100 per cent membership at Darl-

ington.
The NGA members have

stopped work in Darlington in support of the NUJ, halting the Northern Echo and several other titles owned by North of England Newspapers. The executive of the NUJ is

to hold a meeting on Sunday

ployed young people.

manent budget.

Mr Dancy deeply regretted segregation of the independent and maintained sectors. The Government could hardly be said to be encouraging the building of bridges, he commented It had already blown up the

two biggest bridges: the directgrant system and the unsystematic take-up of places by local education authorities.

It seemed also bent on blowing up one or two footbridges. namely regular inspection by mined one or two others, like the Schools Council, where there are plans to remove the independent schools' only two representatives from the pro-posed new governing body.

Permanent scheme to train | Isle of Man plea over Windscale plan From a Special Correspondent ment in deciding in principle in Mr Quayle said that generally

Whitehaven favour of the proposed develop the people of the Isle of Man
The Isle of Man entered the ment. Even if that was so, the would prefer it if Windscale did By Mark Jackson, of The But the group says the comTimes Educational Supplement mission should rely on existing yesterday with a plea for permission should not be concern about the existing polThe present grants to help resigner boards and other protection.

Mr Robert Quayle, Clerk of Tynwald and Secretary of the House of Keys, said that at present the Manx Government was opposed to British Nuclear Fuels' proposed oxide reprocess-

ing plant at Windscale.
His government understood there might be national considerations that could weigh heavily with the British Govern-

Two television

iournalists for

trial over book

Two Yorkshire Television journalists and two publishing

companies have been committed

at Wells Street Magistrates' Court, London, for trial on criminal libel proceedings in-volving the book Johnny Go

Home. The application was made by Mr Roger Gleaves, aged 45, of Normand Mews, West Kensington, who was featured in the book and the

television documentary that preceded it. The defendants are Michael

Deakin, John Willis, Quartet Books and Futura Publications.

A boy from Chandler's Ford.

Hampshire, was seriously injured vesterday by a home-made bomb which he and five friends had produced

Central Criminal Court.

Bomb injures boy

established, by BNF, that the Windscale site was at best the most appropriate, or, at worst, the least inappropriate site. Mr Justice Parker, the inquiry inspector, and Mr Shore, Secre-

tary of State for the Environ attitude to the proposal. It con-ment, should be satisfied that sidered the application to be the control and monitoring of radioactive emissions from the site were effective.

Policemen leaving 'because of growing violence'

men were leaving the police said. force because of the growing danger of violence, Mr Kenneth Steele, Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset, said yesterday. Earlier the Police Federation had announced that the number of policemen in England and Wales had fallen by 483 in the second quarter of

Mr Steele said one experienced officer in his force was resigning because of pressure from his wife, who feared he would be seriously injured at football matches.

"I have seen the way some of my officers are treated at football matches, and it is not a pleasant way to spend a Satur-

An increasing number of day afternoon", Mr Steele Another reason for resigna-tions was low pay. "We are losing more policemen than we

are getting. We are losing very good men. Many are going out

of the police at the earliest opportunity that they can retire on pension." The Police Federation figures showed that the loss of men was partially offset by the re-cruitment of 203 women. cruitment of 203 women. Nevertheless the total strength of the service declined by 280

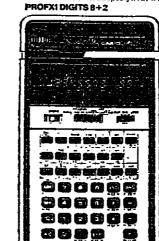
At the end of June police forces were 9,012 below their authorized strength of 118,279. Mr James Jardine, chairman of the federation, said: "Pay is the key to the police man-power crisis, Many experienced officers are leaving in disgust because of low pay." mouth.

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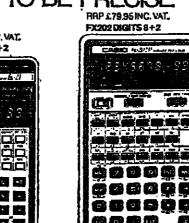
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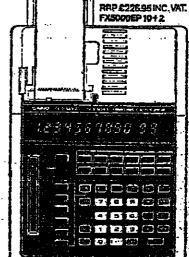
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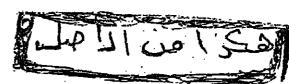
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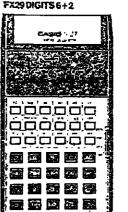




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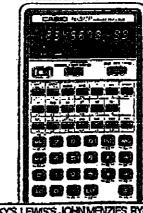


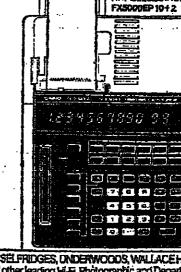












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Man in the news: Cyril Smith, exponent of personality cult

arried. Party post staked on 'smash the pact' vote

Cyril Smith has a capacity for filling the front pages of the papers that is quite indepen-dent of his considerable cordent of his considerable cor-portal presence. This week he has made the headlines with his revelations about the Thorpe affair. Next week he will be making them as the leading opponent of the Liberals' pact with the Govern-ment at their assembly in Brighton.

Brigation.

Mr Smith openly courts publicity. He is an unashamed and very successful exponent of the personality cult. With his rumbustions populist style and his show-business approach to politics, he is more like an American than a British politician.

The trip that his supporters from Rochdole made to London from Rochdole made to London by specially chartered train on the occasion of his spectacular by-election victory in 1972 had the same flavour as that more celebrated train journey to Washington by the people of Plains, Georgia, in January this year. Like Jimmy Carter, Cyril Smith knows the advantages of being a small-town boy who has grown up far away from the grown up for away from the political establishment.

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Instead of peanuts, he has founded his fortunes, appropriately perhaps, on the manufacture of springs. The firm that he set up in Rochdale in 1963 ill suddenly he perhaps, on the manufacture of springs. The firm that he set up in Rochdale in 1963 ill suddenly he peared three days he ained that she out up on good Literal principles with works councils, profitcharing and without unions.

The story of Mr Smith's life, as described in his autobiography Big Cyril, which was biography Big Cyril, which was biography Big Cyril, which was delighted shis week, would have delighted fails week, would have mad a beard.

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Mr Cyril Smith: Reflections on the Lib-Lab pact.

dropped industrial partner-ship from their manifesto. For the next 16 years Cyril Smith was a local councillor and ultimately Mayor of Roch-dale. He was a brilliantly suc-cessful operator in the field of local government, running edu-carion and housing in the borough and bringing well known celebrities to the declinto Westminster, where he is out of his depth. In fact, he was a reluctant candidate for the Rochdale by election of 1972, having rejoined the Liberals four years earlier after a quarrel with his Labour colleagues on the council about council house reuts. He was finally persuaded to stand by Mr Thorpe, who was convinced that only Cyril Smith could win Rochdale

for the Liberals.
Once elected to Parliament,
Cyril Smith lost no time in
making clear his contempt for
it. He still bolds by his remark it. He still bolds by his remark that it is the longest running farce in the West End, He would like to see the whip applied much less by all parties and he has for some time advocated the establishment of a committee system in the House of Commons to cover each government department, on the model of local government committees.

Mr Smith makes no secret of his unhappiness at the way that the Liberal Party is going under Mr Steel's leadership. He strongly supported Mr Pardoe in the leadership election and has refused to campaign in any of the constituencies that voted

Liberals were right to make a Liberals were right to make a pact with the Government in the spring, he believes they were wrong to continue it in the summer. He is terrified of consequences of the

the consequences of the Liberals going into the next election sied in the contrails of the Labour Party.

He does not think the pact is likely to lead to the realignment in British politics that he wants to see, and he is worried that it is actually helping the Labour left.

Cyril Smith does not expect to carry more than a quarter of

to carry more than a quarter of the party with him in his efforts to "smash the part" at the Liberal Assembly next week. If his more fails he will resign from his post as spokes-man on employment.

man on employment.

He discounts any suggestion that he will leave the Liberals or quit the House of Commons. He says: "I see myself continuing as a backbench Liberal MP who will from time to time put his foot in it because he believes it is necessary to do so."

Mr Smith dates his active and joined Labour because he involvement in politics from the time when, as a teenager, he started questioning the involvement in politics from the party that had power and could says, "I wanted to be in a party that had power and could make an impact". He was also annoyed that the Liberals had

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The National Health Service carring for more people.

other cases of supplementary benefit fraud.

There have also been 12,555 for Social Services, says health

The National Health Service is cating for more people. Admissions to hospital last year, at 5.254,000, were the highest recorded since the service began. Outpatient figures also increased but were below 1971-74 levels.

The number of doctors employed continued to increase. The total cost of prescriptions dispensed was about £451m, an increase of more than a quarter. (Commend 6931 Stationers Office.)

increase of more than a quarter. Mr Ennals, Secretary of State The average net ingredient cost

was 117.3p, 23.3p higher
The report says that the share of the NHS budget given to the mentally ill fell from 8.2 per cent in 1970-71 to 7.8 per cent in 1975-76, and that that trend must be reversed.

Annual Report of the DHSS, 1976 (Command 6931, Stationery Office; £1.40).

Angry dentists threaten to cut NHS work

By Our Health Services Correspondent

The way dentists are paid is so distorted and so incomprehensible that they are deciding, in increasing numbers, to reduce their commitment to the National Health Service, the Reigish Dawal Association said British Dental Association said

A delegation from the asso-ciation met Mr Emals, Serre-tary of State for Social Services, on Wednesday to discuss the Government's insistence that alleged overpayments dating back three years should be recovered. The meeting, according to the dentists, ended

inconclusively.

The dentists made the point that at a time when their incomes were restricted by pay policy they could not accept the need to make good an overpay-ment in 1974-75, estimated at £299 for each dentist.

Mr Ennals pointed out that the system of retrospective adjustments had been brought adjustments had been brought in at the request of the BDA and he could not simply write off overpayments. He would consider any change the BDA would like to propose The BDA will meet on September 31 to consider the situation. Meanwhile the General Denial Practitioners' Association is to consider Association is to consider accepting only patients under 21 for NHS treatment.

Open University man suspended

Mr Tom O'Carroll, aged 32, an employee of the Open Uni-versity, whose chairmanship of the Paedophile Information Exchange has been widely publicized, has been suspended on full pay from duties at the university, it was announced

vesterday.

The university said the action had been taken by Sir Frederick Warner, pro-chancellor of the university and chairman of its council. He will ask the next meeting of the council, on October 25, to consider whether procedures should be started to decide whether there is good cause for Mr O'Carroll's dis-

Mr Bottini to retire

Mr Reginald Botton, aged 61, general secretary of the National Union of Agricultural and Allied Workers, is to retire on medical advice.

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The Double Standards Game ... and

THE RUMOUR THAT MUSHROOMED

The Soviet news agency Tass last month reported that "work is nearing completion in the Republic of South Africa for the creation of a nuclear weapon and preparations are being made for carrying out tests of this weapon". Warned Tass: "If the racialist Pretoria regime were to obtain the nuclear weapon this would create a direct threat to the security of the African states."

It was not coincidence that this so-called "report" was launched by the Soviets on the eve of the Lagos conference organized to pillory South Africa.

The rumour, detonated in Moscow, rapidly mushroomed and created concern in the United States, Britain and France all seeking reassurances from a somewhat perplexed South Africa -while Moscow and its allies continued to pontificate on the dangers of nuclear proliferation.

Backward or Forward?

South Africa, it is generally understood, has developed its own uranium enrichment process in order to utilize its supplies of this mineral more fully for peaceful power generation.

A few years ago, when it first announced discovery of this new process and entered the big league through its own ingenuity, South Africa offered the process to any peaceful nation for peaceful purposes. She was ignored.

South Africa, a founder member of the International Atomic Energy Agency, was jettisoned from the world body in June this year in favour of Egypt as Africa's "most developed nuclear state". South Africa was apparently too backward to qualify any longer. Barely two months later the Russians, with the West as an attentive audience, charged that the same "backward" South Africa was ready to explode a nuclear device.

South Africa, the United States insisted, should sign the Non-Proliferation Treaty. Yet America itself, as a signatory, failed to live up to commitments under this Treaty in as far as it had not yet delivered nuclear fuel elements for peaceful use to South Africa promised and paid for 2 years ago. And, of the 34 members of the Board of the International Atomic Energy Agency, no fewer than 13 have either not ratified or acceded to the Non-Proliferation Treaty. They include India, Indonesia, Nigeria, Pakistan, France and South Africa's replacement, Egypt.

France Defied the World

South Africa, warned France, should realize that a nuclear test could have

"grave consequences" for the relations between them - FRANCE, the same country which defied New Zealand, Australia, the United Nations and eventually the World Court when it went about testing nuclear explosives in the Pacific, not so long ago. At the time it waved aside British criticism as "irritating and moralising".

South Africa, claimed the Kremlin, created a direct threat to the security of the African states. Coming from a nuclear superpower, whose imperialist machinations have contributed largely to the sabrerattling uncertainty engulfing much of Africa, this charge is irony indeed.

The Gullible West

In reviewing this recent masterly display of double standards, with Russia in the lead and a gullible West following, the South African Prime Minister exclaimed: "I feel like laughing out aloud" - an understandable reaction considering the exasperation he must have felt at witnessing this performance.

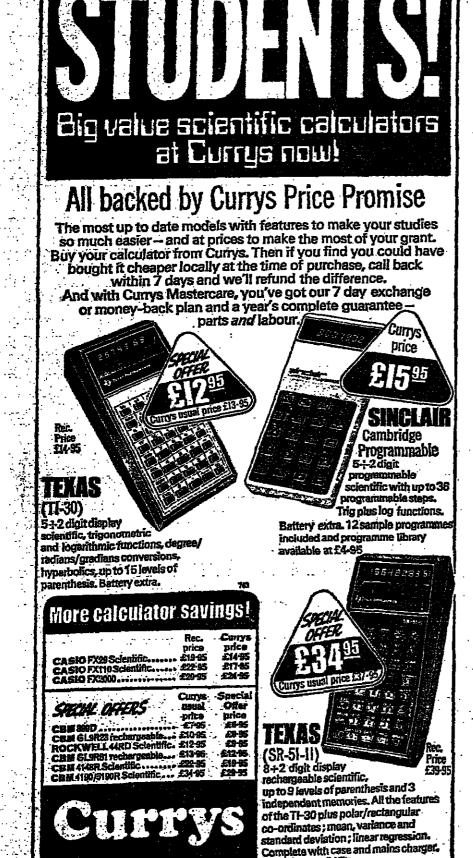
One of South Africa's leading opposition newspapers echoed the same sentiments:

"The spectacle of mighty nuclear powers crying wolf because of a Russian claim that South Africa intends exploding a nuclear device would be amusing if it was not so infuriatingly hypocritical", - the Johannesburg Star.

To date the nuclear explosion foreshadowed by Tass in Moscow has not happened.

The South African authorities have taken great pains in denying the flood of accusations and have explicitly reassured the world that they intended utilizing their advance nuclear technology only for peaceful purposes. Magnanimous indeed, considering the shifty double dealing to which their country has been subjected by socalled friend and foe.

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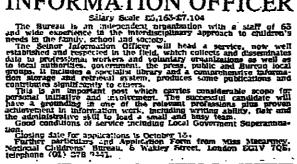
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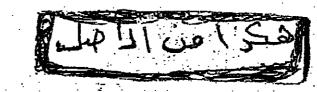
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The "summit" meeting of the three parties of the Union of the Left, which was running into heavy weather last night, was resumed this morning ar Communist Party headquarters in a more equable atmosphere.

The problem of nationalization on which Socialists and Communists had clashed violently during five bours of lently during five hours of tense discussions yesterday, was left on one side. Other uspects of bringing the left's common programme up to date that were still in dispute were taken up

The three delegations, from the Socialists, Communists and Left Radicals, ensured that moting likered out to the press on the drift of the discussions. They had lunch in the confermee room, presumably to climinate the possibility of leaks. They had obviously come to the conclusion that there was too much washing of dirty linen in public after vesterday's round of talks. The talks were adjourned tola

The talks were adjourned this evening for dinner, but were to continue later tonight, when nationalization will be tockled. M Charles Fiterman, secretary of the Communist Party central committee, said it was now up to the Socialists and Left Radicals to make it clear whether they wanted in agree Left Radicals to make it clear whether they wanted an agreement. Differences over nationalization as well as defence remained, he indicated. He was pessimistic about the outcome.

Last night, at the cud of the first session, the atmosphere was distinctly tense. No progress had been made in narrowing down the gulf between the Communist and Socialist standpoints on nationalization; both François Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, and M Georges Marchais, leader of the Communist different partners." ataloguing and displayers on the acquision: ave a degree with 17; cs. Classical Archaete rate qualification) a ing and research on b Hes and Europe are ms. and prepare enc.

there was a possibility of a breakdown in the negotiations. M Mitterrand said on television: "If our pariners are ready to accept all the common programme, and nothing but the common programme, the agreement will be signed

"If we are set further ina second common programme before we have even implemented the first, then we shall fail:

M Marchais said in a prepared statement to the press; "The Communist Party has made a great effort to achieve agree ment. It is now up to our partners." The proposals put forward by the Socialists fell distinctly short of what had been agreed in 1972. If they refused to yield on them, the common programme would be "liquidated". M Mitterrand pur his finger

All Matterrand pur his linger on the root of the problem when he admitted last night that the real conflict was between two doctrines, "Marxisus-Leninism and our own" The common programme of 1972 had shelved the issue. It was a working compromise was a working compromise M Jean-Pierre Soisson, secre Lary acceptal of the Independent Republicans, part of the Gov-ernment majority, said the left's summit had produced a sensational revelation; "The programme of the left of 1972 was not common.

Barre plea for more time for anti-inflation plan

From Our Own Correspondent world in which we live, the

Paris, Sept 22 Exactly a year after the launching of his anti-inflation plan, the prudent verdict of M Barre, the Prime Minister, is that "the French economy is beginning to emerge from the crisis but we still need time, patience and effort". In an interview with the

new afternoon newspaper l'Informe, he said the Government's policy was not con-ceived in a short-term perspective; it must be appreciated over a longer period.

This caution does not satisfy critics like M Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist leader. In a speech today, he fid not quarrel with the overall objectives of the Prime Minister's policy but, with his eye on the March elections, he urged a stronger dose of selective reflation than M Barre hesitantly agreed to at the end of last month.

and we shall give you good finances", Baron Louis, the Finance Minister at the time of the restoration rold Louis XVIII. M Joseph Fontanet, the editor-in-chief of Pinjorme, in quoting the aphorism noted that "those who criticize Raymond Bare in who criticize Raymond Barre in the ranks of the Majority con-sider that it is not enough to produce good finances to pro-duce good elections."

The Prime Minister's reply

that the economic and social situation of the country would suffer serious damage from an ill-considered reflation of the

While he admits that such a policy seems tempting before elections, "in the uncertain

From Christopher Warman

A strong plea for full par-

Government would carry a heavy responsibility by giving up its effort of economic and financial recovery. It could do so only for a few months, in any case, for no sooner the elections are over, it would be necessary to revert without delay to restrictive measures, doubtless more painful than today's ".

Thanks to the policy it had pursued for the past year, the Government had secured some room for manoeuvre. "Between January and August, 1976 (when he took over as Prime Minister), the franc lost 12 per cent of it, value in relation to the dollar, and our exchange reserves dropped by \$4,000m (£2,300m). The franc is now stabilized and our reserves have increased.

The anti-inflation policy had not led to a drop in industrial production, or an economic recession. "How do those who talk about the anaemic state of the French economy judge the condition of the British or German economies, to mention only those two?" M Barre asked.

"The evolution of remunerations shows that Frenchmen have shown moderation, and that the Government's aims have been understood. Yet the increase in wages this year will still remain the highest of all the leading industrial countries, except Italy", he was quoted as saying in the imerview.

He conceded that unemployment had risen in recent months, but which country escaped from such a trend these days, he asked.



umbrella in Rome yesterday with Signor Andreotti.

Rome call for economic stimulus

From Peter Nichols Rome, Sept 22

Mr Callaghan and Signor Giulio Andreotti, the Italian Prime Minister, called jointly today for an expansion in economic activities by strong coun-tries to help deal with the prob-

tries to help deal with the prob-lem of unemployment.

They were together for two hours. Mr Calkaghan, making the first official visit to Italy of a British prime minister in five years, spoke of their talks as "valuable". They spent a lot of the time, he told reporters, discussing world trade, particu-larly inflation and unemploy-ment, and buth had to acknow. ment, and both had to acknow-ledge that the increase in world trade was disappointing. Mr Callaghan added: "My

opinion is that unemployment will keep rising throughout Europe and probably the whole industrial world." But if only the Western industrial nations and Japan could add just I per cent to their gross national product, it would mean an increase

Siege Moluccans

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of between 21 and 3 million He added: "We would both, I think, like to see the stronger countries taking more expansive action. Germany and Japan have already taken such action and this would be a belo-We would like to see further action vet."
They agreed that the Euro-

pean Community should be enlarged to include Greece, Spain and Portugal. There were problems but they could be solved.

The Community's agricultural

interests in Europe to spend money on price supports if the structures remained unchanged. Asked whether he thought that Britain would be ready to take part in the first direct elections to the European Parliament due next year, Mr Cal-laghan replied that only the House of Commons could make the decision. He had never said more to the European Council of Ministers than that we were doing our best. "I have a feeling this is well understood by the ministers but I have difficulty in convincing

Mr Callaghan persuaded Signor Andreotti to look into the problem of sugar agree-ments which, the British Prime Minister believes, could place the North-South dialogue into "some serious difficulty". He said that the point now reached meant that agreement was possible except for the attitude of the Community itself. As of the Community itself. As agreement in principle had been reached, the developing countries might well feel that promises were not honoused.

countries Sugar-exporting among the poorest. were and fishing policies should be especially reviewed. It was in no one's countries the Caribbean countries which exported on the free market. If there were to be no agreement, sugar prices would be depressed and poor countries selling in the free market would find their carnings cur. The object of the projected agreement was to finance exports and storage of surplus sugar. Failure to reach agreement, Mr Callaghan said, would go beyond the question of sugar.

Tomorrow Mr Callaghan see the Pope. He said he would express the good wishes of the British people for the Pontiff's eightiesa birthday which falls on September 26.

Minister opens talks on Basque autonomy

attacks on a train and a village school here in northern Holland last May. An eighth was sentenced to 12 months for supply ing a weapon and ammunition

Three of the Moluccans had been charged with hijacking a train at Glimmen, north of here, on May 22, and holding more than 50 passengers captive for 19 days. The other four seized school at nearby Bovensmilde the same day and took more than 100 children and four had its freedom."

teachers hostage.

Dutch marines ended the sieges on June 11, storming the train and the school. Six Moluccan gunmen and two hostages

nomy statute for the Basque country and was Justice Mini-ster in the Republican Government.

newspaper Informaciones published today Senor Clavero said that the armed forces "know perfectly that autonomy does not go against the unity of Spain". He added that auto-nomy was simply decentrali-

Highly conservative elements in Spain's armed forces have, however, always been against autonomy on the ground that it was "breaking up" the

sheet-rope Cracow killings

Rome, Sept 22 Six men escaped from the jail in Santa Maria Capua Vetere near Caserta in central

Italy by using a rupe made of

They improvised a scaffold-ing of beds from which they were able to cut a hole in the ceiling of their cell through which they found a trapdoor to the roof and climbed 100ft to the ground down the rope of

Meanwhile, in Latina prison, near Rome, a revolt was put down this morning

Nuclear submarine hits sea bottom

Naples, Sept 22.—The American nuclear-powered attack submarine Ray hit the bottom the Mediterranean near Sardinia on Tuesday while on a routine voyage, a United States Navy spokesman said here roday. Three of the 115 followed by the foreign miniscrew were slightly injured.—

The President could not be The resignation of Mr Bert Lance yesterday as Director of the Budget will allow Presi-dent Carter once again to con-

centrate on running the country and carrying on its foreign The affair is at an end, to the general relief, and whatever damage ir has done to Mr Carter will not be compounded by investigations dragged on

indefinitely. The affair did not, in fact, last very long even though people in Washington seem to have been living with Mr Lonce's overdrafts and double collateral for an unconsciouable time. conscionable time. Senators, congressmen and commentators agreed unani-mously this morning that Mr It is an odd parallel because Carter was right in letting Mr Lance go. When the revelations were at their height, three weeks ago, the conventional

President return to

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wisdom, repeated in all the newspapers, was that the resig-nation was just a matter of However, many opinionated observers had second thoughts as Mr Carter continued to as Mr Carter continued to express his support for his friend, particularly when Mr Lance put on a strikingly effective performance in self-defence in his first couple of days' testimony before the Senste committee last week.

There was then much bedging of hers In corrospect the

ing of bets. In retrospect, the hedgers look rather foolish and none of them admits today to having had any doubts at any

impression had gone abroad that Mr Lance was an unscrupulous, corner-cutting country banker who grossly chused the perquisites of a bank president to enrich him-self and his family. The evi-dence we now have shows there was a lot of truth in this public judgment, even though Mr Lance avoided any illegality. Mr Carter based his election campaign on the claim that he

OVERSEAS.

From Patrick Brugan Washington, Sept 22

was more honest and more competent than his rivals and that he would give the American people "the government they deserved, a government as good as they are".

brought yesterday to admit that he or his Budget Director had not lived up to that high promise. Several reporters tried during the press conference and the most they could extort was the admission on that the affair might have lessened Mr Carter's credibility and reputation for

Indeed, Mr Carter seems to have carried one trick with at least some commentators by admitting nobly that part of the trouble was his own fault for having such high standards. One correspondent (in the Washington Posts compares this admission to President Kennedy's acceptance of responsibility for the Bay of Pigs fiasco in 1961.

Mr Carter, in effect, is claiming that he is really too good for this hard world. He never admitted the possibility that he had been wrong to appoint Mr Lauce in the first place, claiming instead that he was superbly qualified for the job. It was a remarkable performance and should go far to restore Mr Carter's reputation as a skilled politician.
The President said yesterday

The President said yesteron, that he had given no thought to whom he should nominate to Mr Lance. It is important, however, that he make up his mind soon. Mr Lance was not only preparing the budget but was in charge of reforming the federal Gov-ernment, one of the schemes closest to Mr Carter's beart (and high on his list of elec-

toral promises).

Mr Lance was intended to balance the budget by 1981 and introduce zero-based budgeting throughout the Government, two more important measures for Mr Carter, Some one must suc-ceed him in these roles immediately if the momentum he achieved is not to be lost. Meanwhile Mr Carter can now turn to his immediate problems, which include Con-

corde, the Middle East, arms talks, his energy policy, reform social security and Panama Canal treaty.

Lance resignation lets | Pakistan Chief Justice is removed

From Richard Wigg Rawalpindi, Sept 22 General Zia today removed

Mr Justice Yakub Ali Khan, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, who agreed earlier this week to hear a perition challenging the arrest under marrial law of Mr Bhutto, the former Prime Minister. The chief marrial law admini-

strator issued an order declaring vacant the office of Chief Justice. It dramatically, if inelegantly, followed up his assertion yesterday that the procla-mation of July 5, when the armed forces took over, is the supreme constitutional instrument "and that all the country's institutions, including the Supreme Court, only function "by virtue of the said Act".

A statement this evening said

that President Chaudhry Fazal Elahi had appointed the senior judge of the Supreme Court, Mr Justice S. Anwar al Haq, as Chief Justice of Pakistan with immediate effect. He and other Supreme Court judges would take the oath of office comorrow afternoon, it said. There were rumours here tonight that some of the seven-

man bench would refuse.

Mr Justice Vakub Ali Khan,
who was appointed by Mr.
Enutto, told The Times tonight that he would not attend the oath ceremony. He said he had no information on what his colleagues would do. He refused to discuss General Zia's order.
"I don't have any comment. What that means is to be understood."

The swearing-in will come less than a day before the court is to hear both an application denying that the Supreme Court has jurisdiction to question any act of the chief marrial law administrator and the petition by Begum Nusrat Bhutto challenging her hus-band's arrest. It was the court's decision to hear the begum's petition which started off the present legal conflict.
Today's move puts into the
position the judge whom
General Zia wished to see as

cocial security and the passed over despite his seniority by Mr Bhutto in favour of his own nominee.

Palestinians keep watch from Crusader castle during lull in Lebanon fighting

From Robert Fisk

Beaufort Castle, southern Lebanon, Sept 22 From the broken, precipitous walls of the twelth-century keep of Beaufort Castle, it was obvious that the Palestinians, Christian Lebanese and Israelis were in no mood to fight today. Up in the ruined halls of the great Crusader castle—besieged by Saladin in 1192—it was possible to hear the dull booming of artillery across the valleys from the villages of ing in border

Taibe and Khiam, but the shelling had nothing of yesterday's intensity. Even the Palestinian fighters living up in the castle only fired off their 80mm mortar to relieve their boredom. Throughout the afternoon, military lorries and petrol tankers, all of them in camouflage paint, could be seen driving at half-hourly intervals from the Israeli fronter to the Christian attended in Marchald in Marchad in Marchad in Marchad in Marchad in March Christian stronghold of Mar-jayoun to the north. It was

impossible to tell which army they belonged to.

Four shells hissed over the castle during the afternoon and exploded harmlessly beyond the old walled fortifications: the Palestinians inside took the view that neither the Christian Lebanese nor the Israelis wanted to fight today because Kippur. There were signs, however, that the lull in the fighting was

not as complete as the Lebanese, the Syrians, the United States and, presumably, Israel, would like it to have

post at Taibe this morning, the commander's two-way radio was crackling with reports of shellreport, read slowly over the air in Arabic by a woman, said that an Israeli tank in Lebanon had been destroyed by rocket No such claim has been made publicly by the Pales-

guerrillas who were actually fighting suggests that a genuine hit may have been scored on Israeli armour. On the other hand, the Palestinians at Taibe had a disconsolate air and, for once, did not welcome journalists.

Up at Beaufort Castle, the Palestinians insisted that they had been engaging two Israeli tanks during the night but across the 30 miles of countryside visible from the castle walls, from Syria and Israel

the Israelis were observing Yom west to the Mediterranean Kippur. west to the Mediterranean kippur.

The guerrillas say Israeli armour moves towards the Litani river each evening at seven o'clock to fire at Palestinian positions near the been.

In the Palestinian command

river. They said, pointing to a clump of trees, that an Israeli tank was still concealed near the Litani bridge in the gorge far beneath us.
Twice they fired off mortar

the battlements with binoculars trained on the river banks.

After almost half a minute, the trees would shake, a cloud of blue smoke curl up from the gorge and the sound of the distant explosion echo up to the eastle with a clap of sound. But no Israeli tank emerged from the little forest beneath

The Christian Lebanese snipers certainly kept a close eye on Beaufort Castle, however, since its commanding position over the surrounding hills makes it an artillery sporter's dream.

Every time we walked ourside the walls or appeared on the battlements, a bullet would ricochet off the rocks beneath. There could be little hope of hitting us at that range,

Egypt stands by PLO as Palestinians' only voice From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Sept 22

Mr Ismael Fohmi, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, gave a frosty answer to the Israelis here today. He told a press conference that the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) was the only legitimate representative of the Palestinian Egypt would adamantly refuse

to consider a bilateral agree-ment with Israel. There had to be a general peace agreement between Israel and all the Arabs, including the Palestinians. Mr Fahmi has had extensive

talks with President Carter and Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, over the past two days.
Before that Mr Moshe Dayan,
the Israeli Foreign Minister,
was in Washington. On Saturday and next week they will be ters of Jordan, Syria and Saudi Arabia.

Mr Fahmi knocked down an idea, floated by the Israelis yesterday, that the Palestinians could be represented at the Geneva conference by the mayors of the West Bank towns. It was up to the Palestinians to choose their own representa-tives, he declared, and Israel had no business whatever pushing her own candidates. He did not specifically rule out the idea of a pan-Arab delegation, The minister delivered a little

"You people in Washington, and President Carter, are very concerned about human rights. You can't have two yardsticks. Every single notion under the human rights umbrella gives the Palestinians the right to exercise their self-determin-ation." Mr Fahmi never the less pro

fessed to be optimistic about the chances of convening a Geneva peace conference before the end of the year.

Chinese nuclear fallout heads for Great Lakes

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, Sept 22 Radioactive debris from last week's Chinese nuclear test is heading for the Great Lakes region of North America, according to a spokesman for the United States Environmental Protection Agency. But there appears to have been no appreciable rise in ground radioactivity in those parts of the north-west crossed by the cloud of fallout.

The spokesman said that so far the nuclear material had moved in an airstream well above any rain clouds. This meant that no appreciable amounts of nuclear particles bad fallen to the ground. The long-term impact will not

Tests are to be carried out next week on milk samples to determine whether there has been any radioactive con-

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Correspondent Hamburg, Sept 22 A strong plea for full par-ticipation by public service workers in local government was made today by Mr. Co.

workers in local government was made today by Mr G. J. Phillips, president of Naigo, speaking here at the World Congress of the International Union of Local Authorities.

This is a test for democracy. People are not going to spend their lives working in the public services without demanding a say in the decisions taken. If the management and elected members of local authorities will not will-ingly accept this, they will be forced into accepting workers participation. Mr Phillips said.

It was no good paying in the concept: "I believe that the workers have a

It was no good naying in service to the concent: "I be lieve that the workers have a large part to play which could result in more effective local government."

a session on the rising cost of local services and ways to save

director of the International City Management Association in the United States, said it was the job of local government managers in a period of economic restraint to avoid both reducing services and increasing taxes.
"The job is not an easy one.

Politically, a solution may be contrary to citizen wishes, for what helps in one place might hurt in another." The real solution was to improve the productivity of local government by providing and managing community services more efficiently and more effectively, and directing them to the real needs of the com-

Mr Keane gave the example of Westminster, Colorado, where all leave due to employees had been combined into spent.

Nalgo plea for say in decisions charged against an employee's allotted leave, so that frequent absenteeism reduced vacation and sick time while good attendance qualified an em-ployee for bonus vacation

The gunmen staged the raids

to draw attention to South Moluccan demands for inde-

pendence for their island home

This sort of "productivity" did not please some of the delegates and Mr Keane acknowledged the difficulties. Mr Derek Pickering, vice-chairman of the Association of County Councils, raised the conflict between reducing costs and the dismissal of staff that this often entailed. suggestions

Few suggestions were offered but one solution has been found in Copenhagen. A staff security bank has been financed by the local authority and a redundant employee is transferred to the hank, which pays his salary until another job can be found. This was found to work well and only half the funds set aside were

From William Chislen Assen, Sept 22.—Seven South Moluccans were given jail sentences ranging between six and nine years today for seizing more than 150 hostages in the Basque country, in order to Madrid, Sept 22 prevent it becoming "a cancer in the side of Spain." Señor Manuel Clavero, the in the side of Spain." Señor Irujo participated in the drafting of the 1936 auto-

the Basque country, today to start negotiations with poli-ticians on the reestablishment of Basque autonomy suppressed by Franco during the Civil War. Señor Manuel Irujo, who

represents the Basque Nationalist Party in the Senate, opened the session by warning Senor Clavero that unless the Basque country had its political rights soon "this could lead to violence which could have been

avoided if the Basque country Senor Clavero replied that he was auxious to achieve a degree

of autonomy for the Spanish regions, and particularly the Ex-SS men to be tried for

From Our Own Correspondent Bonn, Sept 22 The extermination of 19,500 lews in the Polish city of Cracow and the destruction of their chetto will be recalled in the trial of three former SS men which begins in Hanover

tomorrow.
Thre three men—Rudolf Körner. Kuri Heinemeyer and Max Olde—are accused of responsibility, with others, for a total of 32 murders of men, women and children, and assisting in the killing of more than 30 others between 1942 and 1944.

The prosecution claims that

the three committed the mur-ders on their own initiative and out of harred for the Jews.
The trial is expected to take about two and a half years.
Herr Körner, the principal accused, who is charged with joint responsibility in 22 mur-ders and assisting in 17 others, isbedridden with ruberculosis.

The defence will ask the court to suspend proceedings against him on the ground that

he is physically unfit to de-

fendhimself. He maintains that

he took no part in the killings.

Prisoners make escape in Italy From Our Own Correspondent

Rhodesia deports nun on day before she was to seek bail

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, Sept 22

Sister Janice McLaughlin, American born press secretary of the Roman Carbolic Justice and Peace Commission in Rhodesia, was today declared a prohibited immigrant and deported. She was put on an prohibited aircraft to Johannesburg this afternoon and was not allowed to talk to journalists here. Sister McLaughlin, aged 35, was due to appear in court on September 27 on a charge of spreading alarm and despon-dency. An appeal for bail on her behalf was to be made to a High Court judge in cham-bers tomorrow. She has been in jail since her arrest on August

Refusing an application for Refusing an application for bail last week, a local magistrate, Mr C. J. Stainer, said she had been shown to be a "dedicated supporter of terrorism" and she might use liberty on bail to commit further

She came to Rhodesia from Kenya four months ago. Three other members of the Peace and Justice Commission are awaiting trial in Rhodesia under the Law and Order Main-tenance Act and the Official

Secrets Act.
The Government has denied that over half a million Africans are being kept in great hard-ship in protected villages as claimed in a new report by the Justice and Peace Commission. A spokesman for the Ministry of Internal Affairs said there were only 178 protected villages and not 203 as claimed by the commission. These villages house about 260,000 people and not 580,000 as claimed.

Denying that conditions in the villages were generally cramped, the spokesman said that in many villages there were large areas of unoccupied land and sanitary facilities were better than those the tribes-people had in their traditional settlements. "It is untrue to say that inhabitants are not com-pensated for their loss of

property."

He said the question of compensation should not arise because people were encouraged to take all their property when they move into protected vill-ages, including thatched roofs, doors and windows. The only part of their huts they abandoned were walls, which are in most cases poles plastered with mud. "After people have moved into protected villages, the remains of old villages are burnt to deny terrorists shelter", he

The official repeated the claim that tribespeople had asked to be moved into pro-tected villages to be shielded from terrorist intimidation. He also denied that guerrillas moved freely in and out of the villages. While terrorists did sometimes cut throughfences, this was infrequent. Voluntary agencies had in some instances provided clothing and blankets, and occasion-

From Our Correspondent,

Talks between the "contact group" of five Western ambassadors and the South African Government over an

internationally acceptable independence formula for South-West Africa (Namibia) ran into trouble today after

earlier optimism that a break-

They were intended to last

It appears that the South

all day but were broken off after only two and a half hours.

Bucharest plane

Bucharest, Sept 22.-Twenty-

nine people, including eight members of the crew, were killed when a Hungarian Air-lines' Tul34 crashed trying to

make an emergency landing in a sunflower field near

a sunflower field near
Bucharest last night.
There were 23 Hungarian
survivors and Mr Sadik
Akalan, aged 52, director of an
Istanbul cement factory. Five
Turks and four West Germans

were among the dead. An engine caught fire during the approach to Bucharest airport.

in the two explosions,

Chelera toll rises

Election go-ahead

mounting daily.

cholera during the past three

weeks and that the death toll is

Athens, Sept 22.—Mr Constantine Tsatsos, the Greek

President, endorsed the request

of Mr Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, to dissolve Parliament

and proclaimed general elections for November 20.

crash kills 29

Johannesburg, Sept 22

through was near.

In brief

tected villages, he said. Educa-tion had not been provided by voluntary agencies, but by government and local councils.

Mr Geoffrey Feltoe, the member of the Commission for Justice and Peace who presented the report, The Propaganda War, yesterday in London, was born in Broadstairs, Kent. Aged 29, he is a highly-respected member of the teaching faculty at the University of Rhodesia. Although he is known to he critical of the Rhodesian Government, he has not involved himself openly in local resisting the control of the Rhodesian covernment, he has not involved himself openly in local resisting the control of the Rhodesian covernment, he has not involved himself openly in local resisting the control of the control

politics
Johannesburg: Sister Janice
said on arrival here that she
thought international pressure
and her being an "embarrassment" led to her release. She was "in some way disappoin-ted" at her surprise release after three weeks in a remand

prison.
"I was anxious to fight out
the court case," she said. "I
believed in what we were doing and that the Government would

and that the Government would not be able to prove its case against me." She was met by two United States consular officials.—AP.
Roger Berthoud writes: The Foreign Office said in London yesterday that there would be "no place for people guilty of atrocities" in the future Zimbabwe National Army as probabwe National Army as pro-vided for in the Anglo-American proposals for a Rhodesia settle-ment. A spokesman was commenting on the report of the

"This report makes horrify-ing reading", the spokesman said. There were to means of checking the facts, he said, but there was no reason to doubt the findings of this "reput-able" body.

The spokesman made it clear that his remarks applied equally to nationalist guerrillas who had been found to have committed atrocities. "If the war goes on, there will be more atrocities. These destroy the trust on which a non-racial society must be built ".



Sister Janice: Forbidden to ally food to inhabitants in pro- speak to journalists.

Africans have dug in their heels

over the compromise proposed by the Western ambassadors

concerning the presence of South African troops in

The South-West African People's Organization has stated

it will not contest elections in

the territory while South African troops remain there. The envoys are believed to have

suggested to Pretoria that the

troops be placed under United Nations command, but that

even this is, at the moment being rejected.

Argentine regime

holding professor

The Argentine Interior Mini-

stry has announced that a pro-

minent human rights cam-paigner, abducted 14 days ago

and feared kidnapped by right-wing gunmen, is in fact under detention by order of the Gov-

The announcement came after

an outcry over the disappear-ance of Professor Alfredo Bravo, co-president of the Permanent Assembly for

Human Rights and leader of the national teachers' union.

Namibia independence talks

South Namibia

hit 'unexpected snags'

Mr Smith expects Britain to think again

From Our Correspondent Salisbury, Sept 22

Mr Ian Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, said tonight he believed the British Government might think again on the pro-posal in the Anglo-American peace plan to disband the presesut Rhodesian security forces and base the future on the guerrilla forces of the Patriotic Front.

The Rhodesian Government remaining intact. Speaking at the conclusion of the annual Rhodesian Front party congress, Mr Smith was questioned closely on the next stage on the settlement negotiations. He said he was now waiting for a reply from Britain to a list of ques-tions (believed to be 5,000 words long) arising from the White Paper as presented to him recently by Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, and Mr Young the United States representative of the United Nations.

While refusing to spell out all the questions on which he was seeking answers and clarifica-tion he said that one glaring point, was the fact that the proposals on the security forces virtually prescribed a breakdown in law and order.

"I cannot believe that any man in his senses would be pre-pared to go along with that", he said. The leaders of internal black nationalist parties shared this view. "Therefore I'm satis-fied that the British Govern-ment are going to change their

He hoped to have a reply within a week. He was not pro-ceeding at present with his original plan for an internal settlement, but would act accordingly after studying the answers from London.

Questioned about possible United Nations sanctions against South Africa if that country did not put pressure on him to accept the Anglo-American propossels, Mr Smith said the South African Government continu-ally said it would not allow itself to be a party to sanctions against Rhodesia and he did not think blackmail and threats would have much effect.

Mr Smith said the congress had been conducted in a happy atmosphere, unlike recent congresses where there had been people who had been out of step. He was obviously referring to the 12 dissidents who were expelled from the party, formed their own right-wing party and failed to win a seat at the recent general election. The Prime Minister only needed half an hour today behind closed doors in this

truncated one-day conference to convince delegates that he should be trusted to find a Brazil steps up drive

against dissidents

police have arrested 176

operation to prevent anti-

About 5,000 armed police and

troops yesterday surrounded two universities, set up road

blocks on main roads heading into São Paulo, and thwarted a

planned student rally. No violence was reported and the

The demonstration had been

called as part of a campaign to

demand the return of full democracy to Brazil. The police

alleged that the students were

trying to reconstitute the France-Presse.

nnounced that a national con- year.

ference on science will be held

in Peking next spring and the

Government called for free dis-

cussion among scientists as part of the effort to modernize

Science congress called in

China modernization drive

the country's economy.

The conference had been expected but this was the first firm indication of when it would be held. It is likely to improve the morale of scientific and techniques information, promote national academic exclusional aca

Peking, Sept 22.-China today of four" in October of last

students were later released.

Government demonstrations.

São Paulo, Sept 22.-Military Natonal Students' Union which

students in a big security in 1964, and consequently could



Dr Coggan welcomed to Moscow

Moscow, Sept 22.—The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Donald Coggan, arrived in Moscow tonight for a 12-day visit to the Soviet Union as guest of the Russian Orthodox and Armenian Churches.

many years and recently have grown in understanding and depth ".

He was met by Patriarch a good deal of theology", he Pimen, head of the Orthodox told reporters with a smile.

Church, and officiels of the Soviet Government's Council Bautist and leavish community. Soviet Government's Council See something of the Soviet Baptist and Jewish communities. After meetings in Moster Sea State of the Soviet Baptist and Jewish communities. After meetings in Moster Churches have been close for north of the capital, he will travel on to the Ukraine and travel on to the Ukraine and

Armenia.

It is the Archbishop's first visit to the Soviet Union since Tomorrow, he has formal be took office two years ago. meetings with Patriarch Pimen. One of his predecessors made a "No doubt, we will engage in similar visit in 1962.—Reuter.

Lawyers speak up for detainees

From Ray Kennedy Johannesburg, Sept 22 Police in the black township

of Soweto, outside Johannes-burg, are investigating the death of a 15-year-old boy who was killed in a hail of machine gun bullets fired yesterday into a crowd of mourners at a memorial service for Mr Steve Biko the dead Black Consciou-

Biko the dead Black Consciou-ness leader.

The boy, William Mdlad-lamba, was found dead near St Matthew's Anglican Church soon after police had raided a crowd of mourners. The police are not admitting responsibility

for the death.

Brigadier Jan Visser, Soweto's police chief, said today: "It appears as if a machine gun was used." None of his men had been issued with machine guns yesterday, he said, and so far as he knew only two people, both girls, had been wounded when police fired on crowds of stone-throwers during demonstrations over Mr Biko's death. The situation in Sowetow as recorded outer today.

was banned by the Governmen

be liable to prison sentences of

Senhor Lourenço Diaféria, a journalist detained here three

days ago and accused of violar

ing the national security law by writing an article offensive to

the armed forces has been released, but still faces trial

His arrest followed an announcement that legal action would be taken against news-

papers and journalists whose articles insulted the armed

A Communist Party circular

on the prospective conference promised scientists new respect and help in their work.

"We must strive to learn from other countries. It is

necessary to improve the collec-

tion of scientific and technical information, promote inter-national academic exchanges

advanced techniques."

It added that the country

for the alleged offence.

up to five years.

forces.—Reuter

without trial and calling on the Government to change the law to ensure that security detainees had adequate protec-

tion from ill-treatment.

The council said it had repeatedly expressed its condemnation of detention without trial but the Government had insisted that circumstances necessitated it. "Whatever those circumstances may be, no one can contend that they justify ill-treatment of people in detention," the statement said.

The statement added: "It is significant that these things that have happened or are alleged to be the happened.

alleged to have happened to people detained under the Terrorism Act do not as a rule happen to ordinary prisoners in The Bar Council called for The Bar Council called for changes in the Act to permit regular and frequent visits to a detainee by a lawyer, a private doctor or other representative of his family—if necessary under police supervision.

In Durban, 200 Indian students at the University of Durban-Westville threw stink

reported quiet today.

In Johannesburg, South
Africa's most authoritative legal
body, the Johannesburg Bar
body, the Johannesburg Bar
Council, issued a strong state-

The symposium was controlled after the students, carrying "We placards proclaiming "We demand fundamental human rights and not concessions", bellowed "Amandia" (power) with clenched first salutes. The Zulu leader, Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, angrily left the university vowing he would

never return There was more unrest in Cape Town, where all academic activities at the Coloured University of the Western Cape

were suspended after stone-throwing demonstrations by students protesting against the "inferior education" there. The editor of the East London Daily Dispatch, Mr Donald Woods, who was a close personal friend of Mr Biko, is suing Mr James Kruger, the Minister of Police, for £50,000

over remarks Mr Kruger made about him and Mr Biko at the Transvaal National Party con-Mr Kruger said at the weekend that he is consulting his

lawyers about whether to sue Mr Woods over a speech he made to university students in

way out of the settlement maze. I ment condemning detention coexistence in South Africa. on Mr Biko's death last week. Czechoslovaks to be tried

By Edward Mortimer Tw Czechoslovak technicians are to go on trial next Monday in Usti, northern Bohemia, on charges of subverting the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic, the Loudonbased Palach Press Agency reports. The trial is scheduled tc last only three days.

Mr Ales Machacek, aged 31, an agricultural technician from Usti, and Mr Vladimir Lastuvka, a nuclear physicist from Decin—both industrial towns—were arrested in January soon after the first publica-tion of Charter 77, the protest against violations of human

They were accused of distributing copies of the charter and of receiving and distributing Czech literature from the West. The charge of subversion can carry heavy prison sentences

on subversion charges and it is the first time that such a charge has been brought

against people who are not intellectuals and who were working in a purely industrial area. This is evidently a source of embarrassment to the Czechoslovak authorities who did not announce the arrests at the time and have until now kept the matter secret.

Observers had thought that any trial would be delayed until after the Belgrade conference on European security, but it now seems that the authorities are trying to rush it through before the conference for fear that a campaign in favour of the two men will develop in the Western press The International Commis sion of Jurists is sending an observer to Czechoslovakia in

the hope that he will be ablowed to attend the trial.

Ship to disrupt Atlantic whaling

Greenpeace, an environmental group, is trying to raise £77,000 to buy and equip a 145-foot trawler from which to harass hunters next year in the Ice-landic and Norwegian whaling grounds.

The aim is to protect the minke and, in particular, the fin whale, whose population has been reduced by an estimated 80 per cent since commercial whaling began.

Prisoners set free in Haiti

Port-au-Prince, Sept 21.— President Jean-Claude Duvalier has freed 104 prisoners convicted or accused of acts of terrorism, the Haiti Government announced yesterday. Eleven of those released were taken to Port-au-Prince airport and expelled from the country, a spokesman said. No one was now being held in Haiti jails for political or terrorist offences.—Reuter.

Committee

Under its new programme, a total of 340 refugees will be flown to America this month, 700 to France, 30 to Belgium and 10 to Canada. Informed sources said that Australia was planning to take about 2,000 Indo-Chinese refugees from South East Asian countries by the middle of next year. The refugees, to be selected from camps in Theiland, Malay-sia and elsewhere in the region, would be flown to Australia at the rate of about 200 to 300 month once the programme to Theiland since the communist takeover of Indo-China began in April, 1975. A total of 85,358, of whom 70,750 are

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How one woman led 75 Vietnamese refugees to safety

Evel Knievel accused Bangkok, Sept 22.—Captain Sven Ulseth, master of the Nor-Los Angeles, Sept 22.—Evel Knievel, the motor cycle stunt rider, was released on bail of \$1,000 (£588) here after he wegian cargo ship Toledo, knew that if he did not rescue the 75 Vietnamese refugees, the heavy seas would claim them allegedly used a baseball bat to beat a television executive

within hours from their over-laden 21ft fishing boat.

Unlike some captains who ignore escapers' rescue pleas, Royal escape Bangkok, Sept 22.—King Bhumibol and Queen Sirikit of Mr Ulseth is typical of Norwegian sailors who have taken on board more fleeing South Vietnamese than have sailors of Thailand escaped unburt today when terrorists tossed two grenades during a mass meetany other nation. ing at Yala. Ten people were killed and abour 60 wounded

He stopped, and the story that emerged gives an insight into why and how some 8,000 refugees have set sail successfully for points between Japan and Australia since the fall of Saigon in April, 1975. Dacca, Sept 22.-The Bangladesh Government announced that 350 people have died of

The refusees were picked up on September 17, and it was not long before they appeared in the Toledo's stateroom with a small middle-aged woman and declared: "This is the woman who organized our escape."

She did all the liaison, getting the entire group to the boat

on time. The woman explained that since May she had organized four other unsuccessful four other unsuccessful escapes, which cost her 15 days

in prison. She had left her husband and three children in jails and detention centres for a fifth attempt to flee.

Asking that her name to be kept secret, she said that her husband, a former policeman, had been in "resolucation." had been in "reeducation since the arrival of the North

Vietnamese in the south. She "had no right to a job" and her children could not go to school. Two sons are now in jail for attempting to escape and her daughter is in prison for resistance activities, she said. She was caught by communist agents while making drawings of government instal-

The refugees said they were incensed at Hanoi's "colonization" of the south and at the privileged status of cadres A former high school princi-

producers was "niggardly".

Refugees spoke of being harassed by the cadres to leave your papers, depriving you of travel rights", they said. The next step was a ban on essential

the sons and daughters of the cadres". During examinations, West's increasing efforts to "while the normal passing rescue and help refugees at sea

grade is. say. 50 per cent, the cadres offspring ger by with 45 per cent," he said. The principal added that after "three months of hard labour" in re-education, he returned and was unable to find work Job restrictions were forcing southerners to sell possessions to buy food and essentials on the black market, and all rice, fish catches and produce were turned over to the cadres. The amount redistributed to

their homes for the new eco-nomic zones. "If you ignore them, they come back and seize purchases such as sugar and salt. Lastly came eviction, Several had destroyed their A former high school principal from Phan Thiet said that children of people considered to be former government officials were "being demied admittance to schools on the ground that they cannot keep up with the 'high achievements' of the content and destroyed mean bones before leaving, and one commented: "They want to the wilds, where we'll be working harder, longer, living more basically and getting that they cannot keep up with them move into our houses."

was gening back to Vietnam through letters and the radio and was likely to encourage more escape attempts. As they were being rescued, the Liberian vessel Golden Dolphin was picking up another 26 refugees near by.
Hongkong: Seventy-four Vietnamese refugees were brought here today by another Liberian-registered ship, Seaboard. The crew picked them up from a fishing boat in the South

China Sea four days ago. Like the 400 Vietnamese refugees found at sea and landed here since the beginning of the year, the 74 are expected to be allowed to stay for three months pending resettlement Overseas. Meanwhile, 23 Vietnamese

refugees landed in the southern Thailand coastal province of Themmarat on Monday, police reported today, The refugees, who arrived on board a fishing boat, were asked to leave the province after being supplied with food. Also from Bangkok, it was reported that 49 Indo-Chinese refugees will be flown to the United States tonight under a programme sponsored by the

for European Migration to air-lift 1,200 refugees to third countries. The committee has airlifted a total of 55,620 Indo-Chinese refugees from Thailand to third countries, mostly France and the United

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Twain is then consigned to "black hole" under the

heavenly marble where he has a

vision of the wretched of the earth. The show invites our

compassion for them and anger

against the unfeeling angels who drag Twain out of their

company. In the next scene, though, he is ascending the

heavenly skyscraper with a hideously mutilated lift man

whom the show ridicules as an

old Christian soldier. Only

cripples with the right creden-

tials are allowed to arouse sym-

In the second act. Malcolm

Storry switches from a silly-

ass St Peter to a velvet-jacketed

angel of death who stages a

puppet show of Twain's family

bereavements; another piece of

divine sadism, in which Twain

changing from a pained spec-

tor. Finally he leaves beaven

and teams up with Huck Finn

on the raft, where the whole family are finally reunited.

"We're ail throw-outs round

As you would expect from

Mr Mitchell, the lyrics are

streets ahead of the normal pro-

duct, and at least in the final number, "I'm bour Sarisfied", he and Mike Westbrook flood the place with exhilarating

There is plenty to admire in

Richard Eyre's production:

Polly Warren as the angelically

disguised Susy: Sylveste McCoy

impersonating anything from a

Mississippi steamboat to an apopleptic Feniore Cooper;

and Trevor Peacock's whitemaned Twain, who comes mag-

nificently to life whenever heaven retreats and gives him

the stage to himself. Otherwise

one regress that such a man

should have been used for axe-

grinding, and that the blade has

wayman. Macheath, are out-numbered by new names: Lord

Bucktooth, Judy Groupie and

Hemp, in a few minutes the play turns from eighteenth-

century England to French comedy piling unsuitable people in various states of undress into a wardrobe and

introducing an Italian hair-

Mr Bond's direction stirs the French portion of his play with

gusto, wringing laughter with

assurance from stereotypes, and good comic playing from David Fielder and Philip Donaghy; but then he stops the action to

explain that Italians are not really as he presents them, but

merely living up to expectations. His free-for-all farce-making

is well established by the end

of the first act, and, if he had

kept up the pace, he might have

justified his cannibalization of

the play Soon, however, the anachronism begin to take over,

and he rolls in present-day mer-

chandizers and the press, plan-

ning to market Macheath's death like "Elvis Presley's".

He attempts to save his romp with romance, letting Polly

abandon her love for Macheath

and fall for her father's bouncer

because he dares to say " wick-

ers" to Mr Peachum, There is

a song about it: "I'll stand up for love and say nickers".

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shooting, without synchronized sound. Above all, site commands a following among a lot

of people who are themselves

to be taken seriously: m Film

Comment, for instance, Jan Dawson called India Song "a

pussionate litary of love and death, and perhaps the first true sound film".

India Song was originally commissioned by Peter Hall as a play to open the National Theatre in 1972; but because

India Song (a) Camden Plaza Manson (x, GLC) Essential Cinema Club

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However elusive or unsympathetic you find her films (and 1 do) Marguerite Duras is a woman to be taken scriously. She is a writer gifted with sensibility and success. The great possion for cinema she has evinced in late, middle age (she was 43 when she wrote Hiroshima Mon Amour and 53 pefore she directed her first film La Musica 10 years agol is no girlish firtation. As a film-maker she has understood how

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of postponements, this British production never materialised. A film of 1973, La Femme du Gunge, was a sort of sketch for the film version; and in 1974 the text was published as texte theatre film." Finally, the same year, Mme later the same year, Mme Duras produced her own definto reconcile necessary economy of means with her own distincitive screen version.

It is one of her most acces-LXHIBITIONS sible and, in its rather soportfic fashion, seductive works. The actors (Delphine Seyrig, ORITISM GENERS SAMBATION, Buth race
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County Michel Lonsdale, Mathieu Carriere) are attractive; the images are beautiful; the music of Carlos d'Alesso, with its pastiche of Thirties dance music, is hamting. The film CHELSEA ANTIQUES FAIR iehea tod foun Hall, S.W.S. Daily 2,86-7 as p.m. sexcipting Sun-y) umi bersember 24th, Admission has its own powerful atmosphere—even though Mmc
Duras's India was all shot in
Paris; it has a sort of suspense LONDON COIN FAIR

and a story.

The setting is the diplomatic world of Imperial India in 1937, and the core of the film is a reception at the French Embassy. As the little group of Embassy. As the little group of half a dozen characters drift in various permutations through the empty reception rooms (Mme Duras eliminated the other guests as "inessential" though we occasionally hear the hum of their conversation), voices off relate elliptically the past and future, at once the memory and the once the memory and the prediction of a scandal.

The one woman in the group seems also to be the woman in the memorial picture which stands among flowers and smoking incense on a side smoking incense on a side table. This is (or was, or may be: there's no certainty of anything in this Duras world)
Mme Streeter, the wife of the Ambassador. There is talk of a scandal in Bangkok, of her tormented life amid the heat and lepers of India, of another scandal with the Prench Vice-Consul from Lahore—a title which is reiterated like an incantation throughout the film. It is this scandalous infutuation which will prove (or has already proved) mysteriously

Mme Duras has described the making of the film and the Sharon Tate and LaBianca means by which she arrived at murders or the subsequent the effect she desired. The trials, Instead it offers a poractors would go through their trait and an insight into the with stage directions. The subtraction of this sound left ramshackle old ranch which BBFC expressed fears that the being cute.

There is of course a famous

precedent—the premiere, no less—for abandoning a com-plete Trojans and giving only

the second part, The Trojans at Carthage. That was the course forced on Covent Garden for

their present revival, which opened the 1977-78 season on

Wednesday: the more regret-table in the light of the proud record of the house as regards

Artistically the loss is severe. To prise off The Capture of

Troy not only makes pointless certain features of The Trojans

at Carthage, for example the

The Troians at

Covent Garden

Carthage :

Stanley Sadie

this particular work.

India Song: Delphine Seyrig, Claude Mann and Didier Flamand

puras's elliptical and mysterious style, the elusive counterpoints between the sound and the feel of the Manson between the sound and the feel of the Manson between the face of her own characters. The first style of the face of her own characters are the first style of the first her own characters (in interviews she says things like "I'm not too sure, but I think the attaché knew M Streeter but not his wife..."). It also helps if you can pick up the links and references to other works in which the same characters appear. If you are not buoked, you will fairly cer-tainly find it heavy guing. There's no area of indifference

between. Manson is a blood-curdling document, and one can sym-pathize with the fears of the British Board of Film Censors when they refused the film a certificate some five years ago. Now it opens under the club conditions provided by Derek Hill's Essential Cinema (Saturday evenings from October 1). Unlike Tom Gries's documentary reconstruction, Helter Skelter, which was recently shown in London, the film is

not a comprehensive account of the case, and barely touches on the bloody horrors of the motions listening to a precise home life of the Manson "Family".

that Acneas move on to found

a new Troy in Italy is apt to seem a little arbitrary if one

has not been made aware of the

There was one small compen-

sation for the foreshortening. We were permitted to hear the

prelude Berlioz supplied for the premiere, not before heard at

Covent Garden: a noble piece,

made of a long, sombre, sus-tained wind melody, with rich harmonic punctuation from the strings and sinister rumbles

from the basses, and ending with full, resonant organ-like

sonorities. It was finely played,

as indeed was the entire score.

Colin Davis has never wanted in physical vigour or refinement of colour in this work; but now he seems to have enriched his

interpretation. The sound itself

is warmer, the expressive impli-

the old one.

behind the "distracted once ironically was the home Manson quality" which the director of W. S. Hart, the straightest hedonist, required of her performers. man that ever rode Holly- practices quired of her performers. man that ever rode Holly-Whether you respond or not wood's range. We see the blind

> They appear in the film too (even the police were baffled now some of this material had been shor); and the notorious high-school types dressed up in Peter Pan tunics. The horror only starts to pour out as thee nalk, freely and cheerfully, about the life of the Family, the hypnotic influence of Manson and his lethal anti-social philosophies, the case with which they all took to the idea of murder. They are appalling because the cannot be sense that the property of the calm of the where his father is mere where the cannot be sense. because they cannot be segre-gated as some independent monstrous growth: they are, rather, a freakish distortion of society itself. They revel in the role, easily and glibly pattering out the self-justificatory indictments of society with which the media have generously provided them.

Here, even, is Charlie Manson himself, a gnome-like little creature with fiery black eyes and a gift for ormory which at least gives some clue to the power that convinced his followers that he was either

originally the work of Minos to provide a background to Volanekis, is noted as "staged some of by Elijan Moshinsky", who music doubtless had many difficulties their ito contend with. I admit that bones. my heart sank as the curtain rose on a solid and orderly phalanx of celebrating Carthaginians, who duly split off into tidy groups either side of the stage. Nor could one be much persuaded by the busy buzzing among the Trojons at the news of larbas's invasion; nor by the wooden, unmagical (not to say unrealistic) treatment of the great Septet and the love duet.

There was none of the action the programme book properly specified for the Royal Hunt and Storm, nor any hint later that Dido and Aeneas might have gone into a cave during that scene for anything other than to talk about the weather, or to wait for it to blow over. And many of us, I imagine, sympathized heartly with Dido's weariness at the exhibition of dancing. The sets by Nicholas Georgiadis serve little more than adequately, with the conventional Moorish exoticism in Act I and the Act II trees-

account of the murders might have lessened the possible dangers of the film. There is a footnote which Patricia Krenwinkle, Leslie Van Houten, Mary Bruner, all can be. The director of the prove to be nice-looking, film, Laurence Merrick, was bright, articulate, all-American subjected to death threats dursubjected to death threats during the period he was making the film. Lest year he was murdered in the parking lot of the acting school he run with

Family and their and Establishment

could prove dan-

David Robinson

I Was Fifteen is about the terrors of adolescence in terrid rural Scandinavia. Little Peter goes from the calm of the city, where his father is merely having a nervous breakdown, to the country where his randy uncle is deceiving his aunt with an unwed mother up in the woods, and there is a scandal about the disappearance of another girl. You might think they would all have their hands and everything too full to bother with Peter's sexual initiation, but not a bit of it.
If the scene seems very

familiar fand maybe it really is like that in the Scandinavian countryside) this picture is at least freshly handled by Knut Andersen;

some of the most exquisite love music ever written-finding their inspiration in Dover sole

Yvonne Minton makes a Dido of great poise and dig-nity, if not perhaps of tragic grandeur. Her finely sustained line served admirably in the first act "Proud is your first act "Proud is Queen" (the performance in English); and in the love music she allowed the tone to become warmer and more vibrant. But in the last act there was not much edge, or pussion, or much vitality to the articulation. Fine singing does not go quite far enough. So crowded is the Richard Cassilly made a heroic attempt at Aeneas, a part that lies outside his tlike most tenors') scope; he can cope with some of the vigorous music, but the tenderness and warmth obligatory in Act II were wanting In Ionas's music John Precknock did not sound free of strain; but I enjoyed Rubin Leggate's easy lyrical tenor in Hylus's song, while Ann Murray and Anne Collins gave nicely judged impersonations of

lems of balance and ensemble and first-night nerves the open-ing scene did not firmly click, though it was held together by the dauntless personality and artistry of Jonathan Summers in the name part. This "vecchio John" is no vereran indeed In the name part. This "vectorio John" is no veteran, indeed spry and light on his toes though undeniably a "pezzo grosso", his hortom protruding as much as his belly or his forman protructure. Cyrano-esque nose. He is seedy and slovenly but indestructibly

Chiefly, though, Mr Summer: is a Falstaff who has completely absorbed what Boito and Verdi

That first scene in the second act went particularly well, thanks not only to Falstoff but to Enid Hartle's whimsical, teasing Quickly and John Rawnsley's nicely inflected Ford, all three parts grandly sung, up to the highest Glyndebourne standard. The other ladies seemed vocally less accomplished, yet what delight to see two goie comari as truly comic as the Alice and Meg of Catherine Mc-Cord and Joyce McCrindle, and such a mordently sweet Nanetta as Miriam Bowen, prettily paired with the fall, romantic, handsomely voiced Fenton Richard Berkeley Steele. With the Bournemouth Sinfonierra Nicholas Eralthwaite explored the treasures of Verdi's score thoroughly and affectionately, day to exert itself. With prob- operaWhite Suit Blues

Old Vic Irving Wardle

Mark Twain, the latest literary ghost to walk the London stage, proves an even more whimsical presence than Stevie Smith and

Emily Dickinson.

That might nor be your impression from a glance at Adrian Mitchell's script (which reaches the Vic via Nottingham and Edinburgh). Most of it is allegedly by Twain him-self, and very robust it seems when you shut your eyes. But if this biographical fantasy proves anything, it is that words are a poor match for a determinedly perverse mis-en-scenc.

The show opens with a funeral service that comes to a premature halt when Twain bursts out of his coffin and joins in the party. But despite appearances to the contrary, he is dead and to prove it be strolls through the swing doors into a paradise that suggests a particularly oppressive Civil Service house party. Twain may have written ar

length on the subject of heaven. But it is one thing for him to pen the Letters from the Earth as a suffering mortal, and another for him to roll up with a Havona cigar and demand an instant reunion with his dear

As ir happens only his daughter Susy is on the premises (the others having gone to seek him elsewhere); and the price of finding even her is to be put through a gruel-ling interrogation by a public school St Peter. That sets the stage for a bit of autobioeraphy; but the comic flash-back to a fence-painting episode in Hannibal, Missouri, stands little chance against the over-written duer, "I can call it all back", that accompanies

The Beggar's Opera Everyman. Liverpool Ned Chaillet

Highwaymen, whores and crooked lawmen welcome the audiences to the newly respectthe and rebuilt premises of the Everyman Theatre in Liverpool. The new auditorium has seating on three sides of a square, sloping down in comfortable pews to a broad acting area. Once renowned for its scruffiness, it is now an elegant and complete entertainment centre with spacious bars and a good

restaurant.
Chris Bond's choice of a play to open the new building was obviously part of a wish to keep in touch with the old image. Contrary, however, to what might have been the expectarions of a few others, besides myself, The Beggar's Opera is not at all the tart play by John Gay, but it is Mr Bond's entirely new farce using the title, some of the second sec of the names, snatches of the songs and almost none of the plor. At the beginning there are

elements of Gay's play and for a few minutes it seems to diverge little more than Brecht's Threepenny Opera from the story, although in deference to the theatre's past there is a brief attempt to prerend that the production is put on by squatters in the new theatre.

But it is not long before Mr and Mrs Peachum, their daughter, Polly, and the high-

a good play on his own silly, derivative adaption. being brilliantly ingenious rewritings of another's music, Miss Brancart was more poised in the Paganini Studies.

Valerie Tryon began with a

cogent performance of the

Bach-Liszt A minor Prelude and

Fugue, this being all the more enjoyable because in these puritanical days such arrangements are not quite respectable.

Her splendid programme of rarities included more studies, and we heard vivid projections.

eloquent and spontaneous, of "Il Lamento", "Ab Irato" and

"Au bord d'une source", sparkled demurely. "Czardas Macabre" glowered darkly,

while the Dante Sonata received

a performance of great force and pungency. Impressive in a

related manner were the sombre colours of "Aux Cypres de la Villa d'Este". Alas, it is not

possible even to note all the

pieces by this absurdly neglected composer that Miss

similar pieces.

Brancart/Tryon Wigmore Hall

So crowded is the schedule of the present Liszt Festival that the Wigmore Hall had on Wednesday to put on two concerts in the same evening. The first, by Evelyne Brancart, sampled the Transcendental and Puganini Studies, two peaks of Romantic piano virtuosity. She has the almost perfect keyboard mechanism the Transcendental pieces especially demand, and "Eroica" or even Wilde "Eroica" or even "Wilde Jagd" posed no apparent executive difficulties.
Yet Miss Brancart just as

conspicuously lacks the imagi-nation such works still more insistently require.
As an interlude

arrangements for viola, made and played by Atar Arad, of the two versions of "La Lugubre Gondola", beautiful piano solos from Liszt's final years. They superfluous. because they are more objective than the Transcendental items, The Rhinegold

Coliseum

Barry Millington

The third cycle of the English National Opera's Ring produc-tion was launched on Wednesday under the baton of Charles Mackerras. His interpretation is a direct, immediate one. Compared with Reginald Compared with Reginald Goodall's, heard in the earlier two cycles, it is less revealing in the small unit, the individual notes and phrases, than in the large, the musical paragraphs that coalesce into the pillars of the structure. Of the four cast changes, Malcolm Rivers as Alberich, John Dobson as Mime, Sarah

Walker as Fricks, and Helen Attfield as Erda, only the first two successfully combined vocal merit with dramatic conviction. In the absence of Derek Hammond Stroud's Alberich, now only Emile Belcourt as sources Loge makes anything like subject,

Tryon gave us, but we shall be lucky if this feast of magnificent plano playing is surpassed in the entire festival optimal use of gesture, posture, eye contact and similar stage techniques. But the fault is largely the production's: when Wotan eventually makes his shameful decision to rob Alberich of the ring and commands Loge to follow him, Froh is the only one of the three onlookers to react by shuffling a foot; Erda's somewhat unexpected appearance apparently causes little surprise to any-

Mr Mackerras's interpretation has much to offer and would. I think, serve even better the invention of a Friedrich or a Chéreau in a way that Reginald Goodall's magisterial, epic reading never could. The Blatchley/ Byam Shaw production remains one of many beautiful moments and poetic inspirations integrated into a consistent whole, but it is not, for me at least, a production to send one back to the score, the libretto, the sources or to literature on the

one. One could continue.

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TATE CALLERY, MUIDAN, S.W.I. WHISTLER AND HIS INFLUENCE IN BRITAIN and BACON. Until 3U OCI. Widne 10-6. Suns 2-6. Adm. cations more powerful, the timing more subtle. There was musical reminiscences and the appearances of the ghosts of much beautiful and responsive people we ought already have met; it further undermines the orchestral playing, a good omen for the season (which it surely force of the work because it removes the sense of destiny that should stalk through it so powerfully. The gods' insistence But not everything repre-sented improvement. The stag-ing, for a start. The production,

Glyndebourne Touring Opera Theatre Royal, Norwich

William Mann

The great attraction of Glyndebourne's current autumn tour, which began in Norwich this week, will doubtless be Mozart's Don Giovanni in Peter Hall's recent, much discussed producrecent, much discussed produc-tion. Some details, such as Giovanni's descent to Hell, have had to be simplified for a smaller stage, but the bold, increasingly illuminating inter-pretation survives whole, and in spite of many cast-changes. Calvin Simmons conducts it, hard and fast and unromantically, a right match for a pro-duction whose tonality, not-withstanding the music's festive

D major, might be described as remorseless and unresigned despair. It is the despair of Eiddwen Harrhy's Donna Anna, small and venomous, a Cocreaulike Fury, electric and harsh yer thoroughly musical in "Or sai chai l'Onore"; and of Rosalind Plowright's tall, highly-emotional Elvira her rage barely contained in "Ah, fuggi it traditor" yet convinc-ingly dispelled i rule trio "Ah taci, ingiusto core" when she hears the pleading voice of her faithless beloved (Elvira is a very complicated person, as

Chiefly it is the despair, most remorseless of all which propels Giovanni to his donm, and which Thomas Allen (the only survivor of the summer's new production) conveys quite brilliantly in many moods, from the calculated imparion honey of "Deh vieni alla finestra" to the invises incifinestra" to the joyless insis-tence of "Fin ch'ban dal vino", for once sung in time and in tune throughout, therefore the as it is carried to the balcony. more impressive (carefree jubilation never seems to do the also took a little time on Tuesmusic justice).

Miss Plowright makes clear).

Mr Allen's Giovanni has perfect manners but no scruples, no charm, and no future either: that he sings the music to admiration, even touches the heart like an expert confidence trickster, is as nothing to his complete portrayal of an infernal machine surviving on borrowed time.

Fortunately also his voice is a robust baritone, so that the male characters are properly contrasted musically, since we have Malcolm King's light, insinuating bass for Leporello (a shabby charmer, very Italian; John Rath's dark vet malleable bass Masetto, and John Tranter's deep black bass Commendatore.

Above them, in ensembles, is Keith Lewis's mellifluous Otta-vio, flexible, gentle in character and sympathetic. Only Diana Montague's Zerlina does not fit this carefully contrasted en-semble of characters, and she, tall and distantly attractive, very unrural, sings her music so prettily that one hardly likes to complain of wrong easting. I will, however, complain that Mozart's music throughout is haphazardly graced, with almost un concern for elegant musical manners. Jean-Pierre Ponnelle's inven-

tive, apt and delightful production of Verdi's Falstaff makes its second appearance in

a Glyndebourne tour, the pro-duction now loyally edapted by Julian Hope for other circumstances. A little of the Glyndebourne magic is muted: the distant Berkshire landscape has periorce lost its third dimen-sion, though it is skilfully painted so as to deceive the eye; the three climbers in Windsor Forest appear less numerous or less visible. But touring facilities oblige Falstaff to remain in Ford's laundry basket until it is tipped into rhe Thames, and uproarious it is to behold a podgy arm pierce

sympathetic, his convivid charm hardly pierced by anger or suffering, nor tempered by aristocratic Hauteur, which he lost long since.

put into the role, and he com-municates it freshly and vividly, even to those who cherish green memories of great Falstaffs from past years. His delivery of "Mondo rubaldo" etc, after climbing out of the river, almost at last gasp, and stretched supine outside the Garter, was original and telling, as was "Vedrai, te lo cornifico" while giecfully capering round and above the wretched Master

despairingly from under the lid The magic of Verdi's scure at first over-enthusiastically-a venial fault in so lovable an

Best performance by Scotland but | Cherry Hinton to be even more too early for lap of honour As expected, the Czechoslovaks England's problems over the passiver not the smooth, exciting side two years or so. They have a settled, unified midfield section

Football Correspondent

Eavesdropping on a group of apparently angry Scottish suporters erratically meandering ome along Sauchiehail Street early yesterday morning I dis-covered that a good evening at Hampden Park had not been fulfilled to their complete satisfac-tion. Scotland had not taken a lap of honour after beating Czechoskovakia 3—1 in a World Cup qualifying match earlier in

the evening.

For an Englishman privileged to share the delight of a splendid Scottish performance after suffering the many failures of England, the point of the Glaswegians' debate hardly seemed credible, but Ally. MacLand the Sentists detate hardy seemed creatine, but Ally MacLeod, the Scottish manager, took it seriously enough. A lap of honour would have been premature, he said.
"The business of qualifying for Argentina is not over yet." The Scottish supporters were consinced Scottish supporters were convinced that the bearing of Wales at Anfield on October 12 was a formality and yesterday many of Scotland's leading football experts were describing Wednesday's

Scotland's leading football experts were describing Wednesday's game as the best they had seen from the Scots for years.

Wales can still quality, having two matches in hand, and the Scots have a goal difference of only plus 1, but there is no doubt that if Scotland repeat their performance of Wednesday night when they play Wales, they will surely secure their tickets for Argentina without awaiting the result of the last game in the group. The positions now are:

were not me smooth, exciting side of a year ago when they won the European championship. They still had the ability to counter attack cleverly inrough. Pollak, Nehoda and Masny yet the defence gave them no comfort. Scotland persisted with the accurate high. sisted with the accurate high centre, usually from Johnston to the bead of Jordan and they scored all of their goals that way. There was irony here because England are being discouraged to use this traditionally powerful Bridsh tactic. The difference was that Johnston rarely centred in home He seemed in know exactly. hope. He seemed to know exactly the speed and direction of Jordan's approaches. Against hesitant defences such a move, when carried out thoughtfully can still be devastating, and Scotland took the chances that it presented as Jordan in turn played the ball into the compass of Dalglish. gave the Czechoslovaks a trying time, scoring regularly through Jordan, Hartford and Daiglish and dominating the midtield. Czechoslovakia had no appetite for the fire Scotland put into their tackles and, indeed, their team manager, Josef Venglos complained that the Scots played "too hard". Rioch was particularly punishing on any slowness in the Czechoslovak control, but the central character was

in South America followed now, by a fulsome victory over Czechoslovatcia, will give Scotland a
sofrit of confidence that Wales will
find difficult to overcome, but in
the past the Scots have had a
disturbing habit of relaxing before
the task is completed. This happened even on Wednesday at
Hampden when the Czechosłovaks
were on their knees, three goals
down, and with only 10 minutes
left. Suddenty. Gaidusek crossed
into the Scottish half and slammed
an unexpected shot from 25 varis. an unexpected shot from 25 yards. was going wide, and made a late attempt to retrieve the situation guilty of self-satisfied day-dream trol, but the central character was Masson, who was deservedly

this they must guard against. For the moment, though, Mr MacLeod can truthfully say: "It was a night when Scotland went out to football we are capable of playing. I don't think many would argue that this was the classical performance by any team at Hampden for

Murphy to leave Derby

After a Derby County board assistant to Mr Docherty. Mr meeting, it was announced yesterday evening that their former manager. Colin Murphy, and his where, referred to comment. manager, Colin Murphy, and his assistant, Dario Gradi, are to leave the club. Mr Murphy lost his job last Saturday when Derby appointed Tommy Docherty. The board revealed that they offered Mr Murphy the job of

United's Tommy Cavanagh, is the favourite to join Mr Docherty, his former manager, at the Baseball Ground. If Cavanagh does so, Pat Crerand may return to Old Trafford as David Sexton's assistant.

Masson, who was deservedly highly praised by Mr MacLeod. His reading of the game's main passages was almost faultless and was certainly the main reason why the Czechoslovaks failed to make

rne Czechosłowaks ratter in make progress after starting with some well planned counter-attacks.

This clear thinking and commanding aspect of Scotland's present football emphasized

Wednesday's results

WORLD CUP: Group one: Polend 4 Denmark 1. Group seven: Scotland 5 Czechoslovalka 1. OTHER INTERNATIONALS: Romania 6. Greece 1: Switzerland 1. Spain 2: Bulgaria 3. Turkey 1. Under 21: Finland 1. USSR 0. Finland I. USSR 0.

FA CUP: First qualifying round replays: Foliham 2. Epsom and Ewell 1 after extra lime): Harwich and Parkosion 1. Billericay Town 4 corrected result: Tring Town 2. Horiford Town 3: Tunbridge Wells 0. Croydos 2.

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Rugby Union

Scrum halves in good supply

unusual extremes.

Rugby Correspondent

The imminent arrival of John Robbie, the Irish international at Cambridge means that the University again will not be short of scrum half talent, and it looks as if Joe Davies, the former Welsh schools international, now due to begin his fourth year of studies begin his fourth year of studies will be unlucky once more. Davies, indeed, may be disputing the LX club position with lan Beck, a talented games player from Bedford who, I am told, had the better of Kenney, the Leicester scrum half, in a trial before the England under-23 side was selected

Ian Robertson, the Cambridge coach, rates Robbie highly indeed. Had Robbie not suffered a serious leg injury last season, Robertson thought his claims for a place in the Lions' side were second only to those of Gareth Edwards. "He is the best scrum half that we've had at Cambridge since Richard Harding ", he said.

Robertson is always good for a vely quote, and this latest observation is clearly intended to observation is clearly intended to spark off an interesting response from Alun Lewis, who has played against Oxford for the past two years and who was flown out to New Zealand as a Lions' replacement, for Brynmor Williams. Lewis, dow recovering from appendicitis, has yet to start his appendicts, has yet to start ins new season. Robertson thought fit to send him a get well telegram which read: "Hope nothing trivial" and was signed "Garest Edwards and Brynmor Williams".

Bloodstock sales

Tumble Wind colt sold for 5.000 gns

Bidding, as expected, was not as keen and prices were very much below those of the three days of the premier yearling sales when Goffs concluded their September sessions with the second part of the catalogue at Kildare Paddocks yesterday.

Top price by lunchtime was 5,000 guineas paid by Bloodstock Services (Ireland) for a Tumble Wind colt out of the winning Car Gazer mare Mansfield. Sent op from the Ballymoney Park stud the colt comes from a good jumping family and is half-brother to two winners over hurdles. to two winners over hurdles.

Jermot Weld, the trainer, gare 4,600 guineas for a bay colt by the Parson out of the winning Javelot mare Vital Error, dam of five winners.

For 4,100 guineas Paul Cole secured a Red God colt out of Section a Rea God Cont out of Bella Nicole.

Meanwhile a record turnover of 3,872,380 guineas for the three days of the premier sales was announced by Goffs. Of the 459 lots on offer 432 changed owner-ship for an average of 9,006 guineas, an increase of 19 per cent on last year.
The figures for 1976 were 451
lots sold, an average of 7,545
guineas.

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DUBLIN: Irish professional tourna-ted, first round: 67 H. Jackson; 8: E. Darry: 69: C. O'Compor, in; 7. Townsend: 70: J. Condon, B. Bren-

Today's fixtures

Kick-off 7.30 unless stated. FIRST DIVISION: Aston VIIIa Wolverhampton Wanderers. WIND DIVISION: Lincoln Wolfeniams Division: Lincon
THRD Division: Southport v
Crowe: Slockport v Barnaley.
RUGBY LEAGUE: First division:
Bailord v Warrington.

play together at half-back for Budge Rogers's XV against Bed-ford School next Tuesday. The former Scottish international concedes that most scrum haives seek to avoid playing with him these days, but thinks that an attack of days, but thinks that an attack of appendicitis is carrying matters to

Cambridge look once more to be well stocked with quality behind be well stocked with quality behind the scrummage, though sadly they must do without their promising midfield player. Thornton, whose knee injury, in only his second game with the England under-23 side in Canada, put his rugby future in jeopardy. It is encourag-ing to hear that he believes he can overcome the first gloomy prog-nosis and get back itno the game before too long.

The almost certain loss of Thornton, a stand-off at Dulwich College, who won his blue last year at centre, is tempered by the news that Nigel Breakey, stand-off in the University matches of 1974 and, as a replacement for Wordsworth, of 1975, is back for wordsworth, or 1975, is back for a fifth year, reading medicine. He could not find the time to meet all demands for training last season and so turned out for the Bedford club instead.

Bedford club instead.

Fosh, who was in the centre with Thornton last December is available again after further cricket for the university and Essex, and another cricket Blue, Parker, who plays for Sussex, will be seeking a place on the wing. Parker looked a good performer last rugby season, but he had hot competition in the persons

again. In that case, he would again. In that case, he would have the opportunity, along with the new captain and England full back, Rignell, to finish on the winning side against Oxford for a fourth successive year. That is an achievement presently standing to the credit of C. D. Aarvold form ludge Sir Carl and percident (now judge Sir Carl, and president of the Lawn Tennis Association), who played for Cambridge in 1925-25-27 and 28. 1925-26-27 and 28.

The Ulster centre, Horner, who has been pursued by injuries at Cambridge, must again be a strong contender in his third year.

strong contender in his third year. His tackling is pretty conclusive. Possession against the hig guns in their demanding fixture list seems likely to be the perennial Cambridge problem. Of last year's pack it seems that Butler, the Pontypool number eight, is the only certain starter. But last only certain starter. But last season's LX club front row will be up again, in strength, and Robertson believes that the sizable son of Ian Ford, the former Newport and Wales forward, may be putting in a timely appearance. Cambridge are playing in a sevens tournament at the Rugby Club on Sunday, and they start training next Monday—without, on that occasion, their coach, who will be at Nottingham races to observe the performance of his horse, The Italian Job. "It might be worth a modest quid of your money, though I doubt whether your Mr Michael Phillips would endorse that view ", he said

Tonna wants another world title bout The Maltese-born Tonna soon sent rights thudding into Minter's body and the British southpaw, two years younger, aimed steadily for Tonna's head. In the second round Tonna landed two vicious rights to Minter's head which had the champion staggering at the ropes and followed up with an ouslaught of left and rights. But Minter held on and came

Milan, Sept 22.—France's Gratien Tonna, who won the European middleweight boxing title for the second time last might by stopping the British champion, Alan Minter, in the eighth round, says he wants another attempt at the world title. But Minter, who received an inchlong gash over his right eye, was angry and said: "The referee should never have stopped the fight. Fonna was dead gone. I would nave stopped him before 15 rounds."

Tonna, who opened up a cut on Minter's forehead in the sixth round at a time when he seemed to be running out of steam and the Briton's tactics were paying off, is aiming for the world title left vacant by Argentina's Carlos Monzon. He hopes to meet the winner of a bout in November between Rodrigo Vales, of Columbia, and the American, Benny Briscoe.

It was a see-saw battle between the stylist Minter, who scored steadily with conventional rights and lefts to the face, and the 28-year-old, willd-swinging Frenchman. Tonna started out by trying to land fierce punches in hopes of a quick knock-out, but Minter tried to keep his distance and wear down the challenger.

onstaught or left and rights.

But Minter held on and came back surprisingly strongly in the third round, slamming right crosses into Tonna's face which slowed the contender's reflexes. By the fifth round, Minter had started carrying the attack to Tonna, who looked exhausted by his scores of wild swings which missed their mark.

Minter was peopering Tonna's missed their mark.

Minter was peppering Tonna's face with right after right and knocked him back on his heets with a particularly vicious left. But in the sixth round Tonna fought back, scoring with one of his swings and jabs and opened the cut over Minter's eye. He went after the champion in the seventh thudding rights to his body and spreading the blood round Minter's nose. But the Briton fought hard, showing few signs of exhaustion until the blood spread and the referee, Domenico Carabellezi, intervened.

Horse trials

Half Asleep but not Wide Awake among entries

International entries include Alejandro Herrera, of Argentina. Conrad Goess-Sauran, of Austria, and Lieutenant Foster, from Ireland. There are also four Swedes, of whom the most interesting is Jan Jonsson, who won the 1972 Olympic bronze medal in Murich, and four West Germans riding Among them is Wide Awake's brother. Half Asleep, ridden by

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris
The Wylye horse trials, which are international for the first time of the King's Troop, on Princess Hugh Russell's land on Salisbury Plain today. The first event is the dressage for the first half of the the dressage for the first half of the international open class and of the 105 in the national novice the secondary of the salison, weathercock, for Dr Sam the 105 in the national novice the secondary of the salison, weathercock, for Dr Sam the 105 in the national novice the secondary of the salison, weathercock, for Dr Sam the 105 in the national novice the salison of the salison, weathercock for Dr Sam the salison of the Switzerland, who is married to Pat Smythe.

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Bridget Parker, who won a team gold medal in Munich, rides Sallor for the Badminton veterinary surgeon. "Nipper" Constance. Three with recent winning form are Sally Bowley's Squirrell II, who won at Tidworth in May, Elizabeth Robinson's Montego Bay, the winner of the Bramham three-day event in June, and Wendy White with Soldier Blue, an eight-year-old by another premium stallion, Kadir Cup.

effective over longer distance

Racing Correspondent

with Masson, Rioch and Hartford but can easily adapt to include Macari or Gemmill without alter-Today's racing at Ascot has been Today's racing at Ascot has been sponsored in aid of the British Heart Foundation. A year ago Lester Piggotz won the Argos Star Fillies' Mile on Miss Pinkie, and I think that he will win the same race again this afternoon on Harry Wragg's filly Cherry Finton. Our Macari or Gemmill without altering their style. Whereas England
are desperately trying to salvage
something from disorder by playing a Liverpool club unit, the
Scots here achieve a sense of
team understanding with players
from no less than nine different yesterday that he watched Cherry Hinton work on the round gallop on the lisuekilus last Saturday and

an older static companion.

Her good chance of winning today, though, really stems from her past two races, both of which were at York. In August she finished second in the Convivial Stakes and since then John de Coombe who won the race and Formidable who finished third have drawn attention to that form by winning the Prix de Lao have drawn attention to that form by winning the Prix de Lao Salamandre, and the Mill Reef Stakes respectively. And Cherry Hinton has also won in the meantime. She returned to York on September 1 and won the Tadcaster Stakes at the expense of Be Sweet who had finished third in the Lowther Stakes the previous month. The distance of the Tadcaster Stakes was six furlongs and the way that Cherry Hinton caster Stakes was six furlongs and the way that Cherry Hinton went about her business suggested that she would be even more effective racing over a longer distance the like of which she will encounter today; and that is in keeping with a filly bred the way she is.

she is.

Cherry Hinton is by that great raceborse Nijinsky and out of a good mare by Romulus. Today her opposition includes Tartan Pimperuel, Fiordiligi and Watch Out, the three fillies who dominated the finish of the May Hill Stakes at Doncayer on St Leger. our me three mines with commiated the finish of the May Hill
Stakes at Doncaster on St Leger
day. Tartan Pimpernel won by a
head that day but this time she
should not beat Flordiligi who has
a 3th advantage. Earlier in the
year Fiordiligi had been no match
for Shorthouse at Sandown Park
and I cannor help thinking those
of us who were at Goodwood on
August 25 did not see Shorthouse
at her best for some unaccountable
reason. She started favourite that
day but could finish only fourth
behind Cistus, Pearl Strand and
Hutton Girl. Instead of running
on strongly at the end as she had
done in each of her two previous
races Shorthouse found nothing
at all when she came under pressure.

Going strictly on that performance Shorthouse should not beat Pearl Strand this afternoon but bearing in mind her earlier good efforts I will not be surprised if she runs much better this time.

She could even be the one to couple with Cherry Hinton in an attempt to forecast the first two n the correct order. Cherry Hinton will not be the Cherry Hinton will not be the only runner at Ascot today by Nijinsky who became the first horse to win the triple crown since 1935 when he won the 2,000 Guineas, the Derby and the St Leger in 1970. Later in the day a half brother to that very good filly Rose Bowl by Nijinsky named He de Bourbon will have his first Ascot results 2.0 (2.2) SWINLEY FOREST HAND!-CAP (21,590: 1m)

CAP (£1,590: 1m)

Steel City, Ch. C. by Sharpen Up—
Tantau's Delight (K. Williamson),
2-8-3 ... P. Edder; (10-1)
Chop-Chop J. Mercer (-1 fav) 2
Baronet ... B. Rouse (14-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 9-2 The Heriford, 5-1
Churchillian. 11-2 Carriage Way, 8-1
Beildon (4th), 12-1 Fleur D'Amour,
20-1 Vrondi. 9 ran.

ALSO RAN: 11-1 Onte Candid, 16-1 Wrish Dancer (4th), 80-1 Sassalya, 6 nn. Weish Dancer 13th, 30-1 Sassaiga, brun 170TE: Win, 25p: places, 15p. 17p; forecast, 65p. P. Walwyn, 41 Lambourn, 41, 11gl. 2min 35, 77sec.

3.40 (3.41) DIADEM STAKES (27.36b; 5f)
Gentilhombre, ch. c. by No Morry —Kirbana 13 Murrelly, 1-9-7 (27.36b; 5f)
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Gentilhombre, ch. c. by No Morry —Kirbana (17.25c)
Gentilhombre, ch. c. by No Morry —Kirbana (17.11) 2
Mandrake Malor, 9. Eddery (5-1) 3
ALSO RAN' 9-2 Meizer, Mofida (13.11), 15-2 Sharp Rocket.

TOTE: Win, 35p; places, 15p, 19p; dual forecast, 11.88, N. Adam, 41
Mellon Mowbray, 3, 12l. limin (14.16c) 4.10 (4.10) GORDON CARTER HANDICAP (£1,358: 2m) MANDICAP (£1,558; 2m)
Tug of War ch c. by Refrace II.

—Pirate Queen Reroy
4-0-11 1
Hard Attack B. Taylor (13-11-0) 2
Hallodn't J. Moreer (13-8 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 3-1 Ribar (4th) 9-1
Flash Imp. 20-1 Walsingham. or an.

TOTE: Win. 58p; places, 35p. 28p;
dual forecast. £1.7a. D. Whelm. 1
Epsom. 2-4, 11, 3min 39-32sec.
Matinale aid not run.

1.40 (2.41) LICHFIELD HANDICAP (2-y-o: YJ.211: 5f) St Torremar, b.c., by St Alphane —Terremar Lass (C. Peier-Hobivis, B-B I, Johnson (7-1) 1 Hackbridgo P Cook (5-1) 2 Al Forman ... P, Young (7-2 fav) 3 ALSO RAN: 9-2 Ardent Runner (4th), 5-1 Staintess Castemer, 6-1 Pushtern, 13-1 Alcinea, 16-1 Miss Informer, 8 ran.
TOTE: Win. 64p: places, 18p, 24p, 16p: dual forecast, 22.32. G. Poter-Hobirn at Mariborough, 11, 11s. India 02.77ec. 5.10 (5.10) BISHOPSGATE HANDICAP 5.10 (5.10) BISHOPSGATE HANDICAP (C1.577: 111).
Town Farm, b h. by Tyroon II Brud's Choice (M. Starey).
Jeckella, ... W. Tanner (3-2) 2
Paddys Luck
S Spendloye (13-8 fav) 3
ALSO RAN: 6-1 Belle Yun (dth).
Yeaman, 10-1 Crazy Horse, 6 ran.
TOTE: Win, 51.10: places, 29n, 19n; forceast, 53.56. M. Take at Ridderminster. 11, 54, 1mm 44.858c.
TOTE DOUBLE: (frames Bay and Ton of War, 524.66. TREBLE Destytin, Gentlinombre and St Persamar, 548.50. Jackpog (3 withness), 2485.50.

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215: 1. Domie (12-1): 2. Pally Prince (4-6): 5. Proper Gent (11-4). 7 Lm. 2 do: 1 Here Comes Charlie (3-1): 2. Royal Tanner (20-1): Factiful Maia 1. (1974) There's 1901 of Factors and a control of the control of Allos Prince orems lave 3, Woodlen Lave 12, 115; 1. Master Wrekin (6-1); 2. Atlante Prince orems lave 3, Woodlen Lave 12, 115; 1. To non Princes Story 12, 12, 12; 1. Menny Not Poot (4-5); 2. Durham Warror 4-1); 3, Lama's Droam (5-1), 7 ten. Somerton Prince did not run.

Raffindale's record

Melbourne, Sept 22.—The English racehorse Roffindale, had his first top-class win in Australia and beat the Caulfield track record in the Mariboro Cup over 1,400 metres (about seven furlous) today. The winner received 72,400 Australian dollars. Raffindale, by the English five furlong record holder, Raffingora, was rated the fourth best two-year-old of his time in England and has been in Australia for about 12 months.



Orange Bay winning the Cumberland Lodge Stakes at Ascot.

race in the Philips Electrical Stakes. This also promises to be an interesting race because quite apart from those who have already done well the field also includes two other pure bred newcomers, Dactylographer who is the first two-year-old by the fine American horse Secretariat to run in this country, and Delphorrie who is by Wollow's sire Wolver Hollow and out of a full sister to the Derby witner, Charlottown.

Derby winner, Charlottown,
On this occasion, though, no
one ought to be surprised if they
all lack the pace to keep up with
M-Lolsham, Be Better, Geraldo
and Home Run. Yves Saint-Martin
is flying over from France especially to ride Be Better which may
well be a rip in itself, but I still
prefer Home Run who just managed to beat Deed of Gift at
Windsor earlier this month.
M-Lolsham who did a good time
when he won at Newbury a week
ago could turn out to be the main
stumbling block as far as Home
Run is concerned.

The finish of the Taylor Wood-

The finish of the Taylor Wood-The finish of the Taylor Woodrow Charity Stakes could be between Apple Peel and Fawn.
Apple Peel was fancied to win the
Northern Goldsmith's Trophy at
Newcastle last month but she had
to be withdrawn at the start when
she went lame. She is in fine form
again now, though, and expected
to run really well. But I still
doubt whether even she will manage to beat Fawn who won her
last race at Saudown so impresstyely.

The admirable Orange Bay booked his ticket to Longchamp for this year's Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe when he ran away with the Cumberland Lodge Stakes at Ascot yesterday. He is now a 16-1 chance for the big. French race in the ame-post lists. Yesterday Orange Bay could hardly have been more impressive. Ridden with great dash by the champion jockey Patrick Eddery he took up the running in Swinley Bottom and never relaxed his stranglehold on the prize.

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Meneval booked dangerous turning for home but when Lester Piggott let him down and asked him to try to catch Orange Bay he did not stride out on ground that was firmer than he cares for. Meneval is unlikely to run in the Art unless the ground changes which means that Piggott will definitely he on his stable companion Alleged. Hot Grove, who finished third yesterday, five and a half lengths behind Orange Bay, will not race again this season but will remain in training as a four-year-old.

Incidentally, Henry Cecil told me that Lucky Wednesday will wait for the Champion Stakes and that his good filly Royal Hive, who ran so well at Longchamp last Sunday, when she finished second in the Prix Vermeille, may well return to FCrance next. well return to FCrance next month to take her chance in the Prix Royal Oak, the French

Calibina should keep favourites out again

With 25 runners the field for today's Burman Castrol Ayr Gold

Egualita in 1963, trained by the late Sam Hall.

I expect the three-year-olds, the pick of whom may be Redlam Hill, Cedar Grange, and Michael Easterby's pair Jou George and Whenby, to go well. Bedlam Hill, beaten; once in his last four races and second in the £10,000 Northumberland Sprint Trophy to Daring March, might be the best of these four speedy three-year-olds.

olds.

However my choice goes to the five-year-old mare, Calibina, who has behind her, this season, victories in the Wokingham Stakes at Ascot and the Spillers Stewards

with 25 runners the field for today's Burmak Castrol Ayr Gold Cup, still the season's most valuable six furlong handicap, is the biggest since Royben defeated 27 rivals in 1971. The record field was 10 years ago when Peter o'Sulleyan's fine sprinter, and now successful sire, he friendly, put up a memorable performance for a time-year-old in defying st 9fb in a field of 33.

In the past 20 years three-year-olds have wun 10 times, four and five times respectively, and the oldest horse to win was the six-year-old mare, jacintha in 1957. Those who back the favourite, likely to be the Richmond-trained Bediam Hill, heavily backed yesterday, or Cedar Grange, also a three-year-old and winner of his last three races, will draw lattle comfort from the record of first market choices. The last favourite to win was the three-year-old filly Egualita in 1963, trained by the late Sam Hall.

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Move Off ends career by emulating his sire's feat

Move Off followed in the foot-steps of his sire, Farm Walk, when winning the Ayrshire Handiwhen whiming the Ayrsinre raining cap by three-quarters of a length from Slim Jim at Ayr yesterday and ended his racing career on a victorious note. Move Off, a four-year-old ridden by Jimmy Bleasdale, was always up with the leaders but it was not until close to home that the colt strode clear. Bleasdale, registering the 72nd winner of his career, said:
"Move Off began to wander in-side the last furlong to the left".
Move Off, home bred by William Barker, is the son of Farm Walk, who won the race to 1967. There was a surprise in the Shaw Memorial Handicap when Royal Estate beat Mar Greig by a length. Gnos, the 6-5 favourite,

was an undistinguished third, a further half a length behind. Tony kimberiey, putting up 2 lb overweight on Jeremy Hindley's Royal Estate, waited until inside the final furlong before pushing his mount clear.

Bill O'Gorman, of Newmarket, has only 12 borses in his yard but is enjoying his best season. Manor

Farm Boy scrambled home head from Negative Respons the Harry Rosebery Chall Trophy to provide O'Gorman his 16th victory of the year.

Quality Blake has won to and in her six races has finished out of the first four. will stay the Im 7f and is prefet to The Coval Horse, successful three runs, to Mixed Melody, narrowly be by Henry Cecil's useful three youd stayer, Crack of Light, at I car. Car.
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and foals.

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Ascot programme

[Television (BBC1): 3.25 race. BBC2: 2.15, 2.50, 3.25 and 3.55 2.15 WILLIAM HILL TROPHY (Handicap: £2,487: 5f)



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1075- Win, 50n; places, 20n, 30n,
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at Hamberin, 3. 1-1, 27th, 18,78sec.

5.5 KINTYRE STAKES (3-y-o fillies: £1,211:7f) Ayr selections By Our Racing Staff 2.0 Morksmap. 2.30 MARSHALL McCLOUD is specially recommon 3.5 Calibina. 3.35 Cake Popper, 4.5 Migelitto. 4.35 Quality 5.5 Seed Corn.

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Ascot selections

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.15 Epsom Imp. 2.50 CHERRY HINTON is specially recommend 3.25 Fawn. 3.55 Home Run. 4.30 Major Thompson. 5.5 Promine By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Cold Rupee. 2.50 Cherry Hinton. 3.25 Apple Feel. 3.55 Gerali 4.30 Picatina. 5.5 Deep River.

4-1 M-Loishan, 9-2. Hone Run, 5-1 Dartylographer, 6-1 Gen Beuter, Cloak and Dagger, 10-1 Spartan Call, 12-1 Delphotric. Its 16-1 others.

5.5 EWAK STUB FAKET HARRUNAY (ADDREDENCES:
601 14-1430 Prince Peps (D), E. Collingwood, 4-10-0
502 100444 Ramadan, T. Marshall, 4-8-12
503 131111 Burleigh (C,D), W. Harri, 5-2-9
504 022420 Pasks She (D), G. Narnood, 4-8-7
505 122011 Prominent (D), J. Walker, 5-3-6
506 122011 Prominent (D), J. Bethell, 10-8-1
507 201200 Despision (D), B. Hall, 8-7-12
508 201200 Despision (D), B. Hall, 8-7-12
509 00000- Stanagra, C. Britistin, 4-7-11
512 14-1403 Solo Reign (D), R. Hollinchedd, 4-7-7
513 Burleigh, 5-1 Ramadan, 6-1 Preminent, 8-1 Prince Peps (D)

3.35 STRATHCLYDE HANDICAP (£3,694: 1m) 1 101030 Sotto II Valcano (B), L. Camanii. 9-7 B. Raymond: 3-430100 In Hasis (C), J. W. Watts, 9-4 B. L. Calveri. 1-3-43032 Whitby Jet, J. Calveri. 8-12 E. Bida. 1-201413 Cake Popper, Dungs Smith, 8-7 Bon Hutchinson 5-5 Coocati Fair Season. I. Balding, 8-5 B. Marshall 6-004033 Ractametion. T. Marshall, 8-2 B. Marshall 7-d Fair Season, 11-1 Marshall, 8-2 B. Marshall 7-d Fair Season, 11-1 Marshall, 8-2 B. Marshall 8-2 Whitby Jet, 10-1 Roclamation.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.30 Marshall McCloud. 3.5 Private Line. 3.35 Sotto B United 4.5 Bluffer. 4.35 Quality Blake.

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Leading second round scores

Defoy loses his lead but wins the play-off

Huggett holes a part from 23 feet from 23 feet from off the 18th green, to a higher two and a 36-hole agarages of 137, five under to r. Defou fooded virtually unrouchable as he went into the second and final read five strokes abread of Huggett and former Welsh boy compoint, Kim Dabson, but as the holes slid away Huggett chased harder and harder and finally caught his tival.

The first round leader had made as spectacular start with two hiddes in the first three holes, but the turning point came at the six h (409 yards) on which Huggett character three while Defou shined to one over par. As the progess turned for home for the fast nine there were two strokes apparating Deroy from Huggett.

advarating Detoy from Huggett, gate in the spring and automorphism before had reached the turn in 36 meetings was won by Colin and Huggett in 33. On the 16th, MacLachian, 75 and 74, total 149.

Long Defoy, having thrown and its overnight lead of five strikes, finally won the Weish Protessional Golf championship out the Glamorganshire links at Penarth yesterday in a play-off with the Ryder Cup captala, Brian Briggett.

To: lorce the play-off, the 30-year-old World Cup nlaver Defoy knocked in the patt five feet short of the plat, whereas Briggett world Cup nlaver Defoy knocked in the patt. The two played the list again, Defoy winning with a par four to a five.

Final leading totals;
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The Royal and Ancient autumn medal meeting ended in a tripletic vesterday. Sandy Sinclair, the president of Scottish Golf Union, John Behrendl, who plays most of his golf at Hoylake, and Peter Bucher, the former Lothlan champion, each carded 73. The George Clemie medal for the best agreement in the spring and autumn

Yachting

Crebbin can stay ashore today if he wishes

B John Nicholls
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mites. Undoubtedly he shows are potential in a class where are potential in a class where the state of the world. But until has competed in a few internantal events it will be difficult to adde itself to the success at Holyhead and the RY grant that accompanied it. White him the opportunity to go, the next world champion-

ships, where he will be up against far tougher opposition. At the moment one cannot even say he is the best Soling helmsman in Britain, as several of the class establishment were not present fur one reason or another Probably they and Crebbin will not meet in earnest until Weymouth Olympic Week next year, assuming that Crebbin can continue to borrow competitive boats.

Yesterday's race was interesting in that most of the fleet chose to start alongside the committee boat, yet Christopher Osborne in Pandemonium starting at the far end of the line and salling farther, out to sea than anyone else, was first at the windward mark. For made the best start of the main group, with Crebbin about third across the line.

Halfway up the beat Crebbin was ahead of everyone except Osborne, and he passed him on the second reaching leg. Crebbin then disappeared into the distance leaving the others to enjoy the race. Fort passed Osborne on the second beat, where there were several other place changes in the markedly lighter conditions.

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An echo of triumphant year for Ballesteros

From Peter Ryde Golf Correspondent Waterioo, Sept 22

When Donald Swaclens, a Betgian international golfer, died two years ago, he was popular enough want to hold a memorial rournament in his name, even though the he had no reputation as a winner. The event, held last autumn, was a modest affair and it had a commercial snower in the characteristics.

a modest affair and it had a commercial sponsor in the champagne firm of Laurent-Perrier. Outside Belgium, the event attracted little attention, although it was noted that as distinguished a name as Gary Player appeared in the field of eight.

But the entry, though limited to the point of being not much more than a spectacle, was international and strong. Above all, it produced a winner who was continental and much in the news — Severiano Ballesterus. 2 Spaniard in nine syllables for whom the victory, by a large margin over 72 holes, was another stepping stone towards a triunstepping stone towards a phant European season. It was his success in this event, followed by another easy one in the Trupher Lancome, an event of similar pattern, which made his name resound around Europe last autumn. It was also his success which encouraged the magnetics which encouraged the sponsors to hold the nournament again—it begins today in Brussels—although

it was probably intended in the first place only as a gesture not to be repeated.

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It is a small event coming between such hig events as the Ryder Cup, the Dunlop Masters and the world match play. But it is a time when not much is happening in the United States. Thus, this year, in addition to the mercurial Railesteros, Elliy Casper, a former United States Open champion but better known to us this year as a golf commentator with an American accent and no age to grind, will be in the field along with Hale Irwin, recent winner of the hall of fame tournament. Another American entry is George Burns, whis, like George Bayer before him, is in danger of heing labelled the long hitter in American golf, which obscures the fact that he is also a first class player.

Also in the field is Nicholas Faldo, who was invited as the leading Briton in the order of merit. He was beaten into second place by Peter Dawson after the PGA's own championship at Foxhills but has more than retained his glamour by his performance in the Ryder Cup. The field is completed by Ernesto Acosta, a Mexican who was the low scorer in the World Cup last winter, Fillippe Toussaint, another Befigian international and not as outgoing as Swaelens but with much class 3s a player and a personality, and Baldovino Dassu.

Squash Rackets

Easter alone on the Australian circuit

By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent
John Easter, who is Jonah
Barrington's closest challenger for
supremacy in British squash, will
be the only British player competing on the entire Australian
circuit, which will begin at Perth
on Sunday, Easter, who left yesterday with a free ticket from Air
India, will be joined later by
Barrington. Both will compete in
the second world open Lampionship, to be played at Adelaide
from October 11 to 22.
Britain's leading amateurs, who
have recently been deprived of
the world amateur team championship in Ottawa (they finished
fourth, beltind Pakistan, New
Zealand, and Egypt), will contest
their national individual championhin at Abbeydale Park, Sheffield,
from December 2 to 7. All three
of the previous such events were
played in London.
The move to Abbeydale,
Britain's most popular rendezvous
tor big tournaments, has occurred
because this vear's championship
will be sponsored by Thorntons,
Sheffield-based confectioners. A
field of 16 will assemble in
Sheffield after qualifying tournaments at Derby, Gloucester, New
Brighton and Wembley from
November 23 to 27. Squash Rackets Correspondent

Motor racing

Andrettiand Scheckter decide to stay put

Two of the most important pieces in the grand prix drivers' contract jig saw have fallen into place during the past 24 hours with the confirmation that both Mario Andrem and Jody Scheckter have declined the approaches made to them by Ferrari and have decided to remain with their present teams. to remain with their present teams.

Andretti's decision to renew his contract with John Player Team Lotus will come as particularly good news to Colin Chapman, who during the past year has probably developed a better and more fruitful relationship with his leading driver than at any time since the death of Jim Clark in 1968. Although a series of engine problems during the past few months has put Andretti out of contention for this year's world championship, he clearly has great faith in the potential of the current Lotusbull: John Player Special, which he believes can earn him the championship in 1978.

One person who disagrees with

One person who disagrees with this prediction is Jody Scheckter, who is determined that the next Ford-powered car to take the title will be his Wolf. As the man who wall be his Wolf. As the man who is lying second to Lauda in this year's table he has good reason for displaying such a measure of confidence. The emergence of the Walter Wolf Racing team from a back-of-the-grid contender last year to one of the consistent from

runners during this past season has been one of the revelations of grand prix racing in 1977.

An impressive reliability record has been one of the underlying ingredients of the team's success and it s significant that not a single chassis failure has stopped Scheckter's car during a grand prix this year. This is a clear vindication of the team's policy of having three cars at their dis-posal, but only using one in a race on a rotational basis. With Scheckter's services now confirmed for 1978 it is virtually certain that this will continue to be a threecar one-driver team throughout next season.

Now that both Andretti and Scheckter have made their inten-tions known the key outstanding question on the driver front for next year is who will take the Ferrari cockpit made vacant by Lauda's switch to the Brabham

In the end the size of the retainer may prove decisive, and although a contract with Ferrari has not in the past been considered to be amongst the more lucrative in grand prix racing. a Ferrari drive inevitably provides a passport to extensive supplementary sponsorship which is the reason why Lauda's racing suits in the past year have tended to take on the appearance of mobile adverCar rallying

Fowkes still leads as desert poses problems

Alice Springs, Sept 22.—The outback tracks of the Great Victoria desert in central Australia are taking their toll of competitors in the London-Sydney car rally.

wilton Divon, a rally spokes-man, said in Adelaide today that only 19 of the 51 cars which left Fremande in Western Abstralia on Tuesday might had registered at the checkprint here. He said it was not known how many cars were still in the raily, but some had obviously broken down along the tracks of the desert or in the mountain ranges. the mountain ranges,

The first cars proved here in the early hours of this morning. Tony Fowkes, of Britain, is still leading the field in his Mercedes after completing a faultless run from Fremantle.

Andrew Cowan, also of Britain, who won the first 20,000 km marathon in 1968, is in second place in his Mercedes, with Polish rally champion, Sobieslaw Zasada, third, and Paddy Hoplark, of Ireland, fourth.

Ireland, fourth.
In fifth position here was
Alfred Kling, of Germany (Mercedes), sixth was Brian Hillen, of
Australia (Peugeot), and seventh,
Frank Johnson, of Australia

In the Loire the sense of humour is like the wine, mainly dry or medium dry.



"My wine is not art to be kept."

The Loire Valley has been called the 'happy, smiling part of France'. During our stay this overall appraisal was confirmed again and again.

However, within this historic region, which is famous for its great Châteaux, there are noticeable differences in both the people and the wine.

In Muscadet, the Atlantic climate produces a light, dry, almost salty white wine, perfect with seafood. Here the humour is medium dry.

However in Anjou the wines are generally slightly sweeter and mainly rose,

"Light, carefree and refreshing."



with some white; but the wit Very old vines, probably 40-50 years old. is definitely dry.

Nevertheless, Loire wines have a very distinct family likeness.

They are not at all pretentious, but made to be drunk young, while they are at their most refreshing. The nicest description given to us was "cascadeur," which literally means like a waterfall'; in other words, light, carefree and refreshing.

In both Muscadet and Anjou there is an air of reverence at the door of every cellar. It's a bit like going into a church. Especially as some of the cellars even have stained glass windows. Inside, the beams and barrels are often decoratively carved and the walls covered with plaques and inscriptions. Although these are not always so reverent.

In one cellar we were greeted with the wine grower's prayer: Oh God, give me life for a long time, work not too often, love from time to time, but Muscadet for ever.

Not to be outdone, in Aniou we came across the legend: If drinking was a sin,



"Enter those who wish, leave those who can"

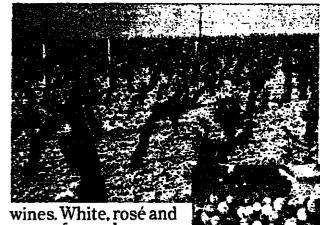
God wouldn't have made Anjou wine so good. But perhaps our favourite story from the Loire came as we sipped wine in the cellar of a small grower called Monsieur Guillet.

In response to the question,"Do you think your wine has any real healthgiving properties?" he shrugged his shoulders in the way only a Frenchman

can, and pointed to an inscription on the wall: You see more old drunkards than old doctors, it said.

After just three days in the Loire we held many memories and had tasted many delicious

(below) A few more hours of sunshine...



even a few red.

But the real spirit of the region was summed up by a charming grower who insisted on taking his cap off to be photo-

graphed even though he was completely

He said "My wine is not art to be kept." In other words, get on and drink it, and

And who are we, or you, to argue?







On every bottle of Loire wine you will see the words 'Appellation Controlee,' which is France's highest designation of fine wines.

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Rocking the boat over the battle of Marathon

The tendency of ancient Athenians to exaggerate is well to historians and archaeologists, who agree that estimates of how many Persians fought at Marathon in 490 BC may have been designed to magnify the valour of the Athenian troops and their allies. Yet to dismiss the historical significance of the barde of Marathon as an "imperialist myth", borders for the Greeks. on sacrilege.

Which is precisely why Roger Garaudy, the French Mornist philosopher, with his unorthodox view of the grandeur that was Greece, has rocked the cradle of democracy and left the Greeks shaking with indignation.

His idea that the West should cure itself of what he calls the "Marathon complex", was put forward by this onetime theoretician of the French Communist Party in a local newspaper interview durng a socialist symposium he attended in Crete last month. His theory is that Greece's contribution to world civilization was significant, but hardly a "miracle". The Renaissance, he thought was far more im-

, portray the battle Marathon as a conlarathon as a con-between the Western symbolized ancient Greece, and the barbar-ians, represented by the Persians." Yet the Persian civilization was a great civilization. The myth of Marathon had been deliberately created by Western imperialists to symbolize the victory of Western civlization over the barbarians.

Now that is hardly the way the Greeks are taught their history at school. Textbooks say that at Marathon a handful history by stemming the barbarian invasion that would have denied the world the of democracy, the golden age of Pericles, of the Acro-polis and everything it symbol-

the ultra-nationalist press suggested that M Garaudy deserved to be barred from Greece. It demanded an immediste retort from no less than the President of the Republic of Greece, Mr Tsatsos, himself an eminent philosopher. "It is a shame that one Greek news-paper should give this foreign fool a chance to insult the honour, the traditions, and the

for lack of funds.

When a Greek friend of M Garaudy tried to give him a chance to retract, this "black of the French comsheep munists added insult to injury. He compared the democracy of Pericles "which relied on Pericles which tened of 400,000 slaves", to present-day fascist" South Africa and damned Alexander the Great to be merely "Mister Alexto be merely "Mister Alex-ander" because in his time the

tion was flourishing.
"The myth of Marathon and Salamis." Salamis," he argued, "is no better than the myth of the french resistance. There, all the Nazi collaborators, once the Allies won, claimed to have worked for the resist-

In the editorial outcry that followed long articles were published published to counter M Garaudy's view. A Sorbonne recalled that the battle of Marathon was so important that the great tragic poet Aes-chylus, in choosing his own

He wrote: "Let M Garaudy that the word was born then from the Athenian belief that the way the Persians were retreathimself was shopherding them like frightened sheep towards

epitaph, prided himself on the

hattle.

A few months ago a leftist newspaper in Athens launched a campaign suggesting that the Greeks should rewrite their history by eliminating some questionable "ethnic truths" that had become cumbersome dogma. Scholars and intellectuals interviewed were mostly in favour of a revision.

write their history, M Garaudy's revise their belief that western civilization was saved by their ancestors in the Persian wars which ended the Persian dream to conquer Greece : nd Europe

The Greek newspaper Acro-The Greeks were mortified, polis dismissed M Garaudy ne uhra-nadonalist press sug- with this comment: "What value can one attach to the criticism of a man who wrote a massive volume to prove that Stalin's stark dictatorship was an ideal democracy.... He has since retreated from this fallacy. So he may also soon reverse his ideas about ancient

Mario Modiano

Ireland deserves to sink if it turns its back on men like this

Bernard Levin

There are times when the traditional il Republic care with any passion and popular solution to the problems of Ireland—to tow it into the middle of the Atlantic and sink it— commends itself almost irresistibly to anyone contemplating its condition. And, strangely enough, this particular reaction, which is in effect a despair-ing conclusion that the problems of lreland are eternally insoluble, largely because the Irish do not want them solved, is less frequently provoked by the news of the latest killing or bombing in the North than by a statement from one of the apparently in-exists subtle reservoir of sheepheads who abound in the politics of the

South.

Earlier this week, Dr Conor Cruise
O'Brien argued, basing his conclusion
on a very considerable body of
research evidence, that most people
in Ireland were not interested in uniting North and South, that the overwhelming majority in the North were strongly against a united Republic and that those in the South Republic and that those in the South who are in favour of it are less intense in their feelings than those wito oppose it across the border. Less than half the population of the whole island want it at all, he said, and observed pertinently that

to advocate unity as the solution to the problems of Northern Ireland is unrealistic, unfruitful, and even mischievous, through the encouragement it gives to those who use force to achieve that undernocatic abject. democratic object.

This sensible, unexciting and obviously true argument is hardly original in itself, though its restatement by Senator O'Brien at this time raises it to a level of considerable importance, and the evidence adduced in its support, which as far as I know is new, at any rate on this scale, gives it a formal authority which it might otherwise have lacked. Yet, after all, it is hardly surprising, is it? Why should the citizens of the

whether their country has twenty-six counties or thirty-two? Their lives will not be changed for the better, their material conditions will not miraculously improve, their poli-ticians will not cease to be windbags, the price of drink will not come down, if unity is achieved. Could it not ally have been long ago deduced, by all those interested in knowing the answer, that the tale of Ireland's Wrongs is one which has sounded tedious in the ears of Ireland's people for some time now? And this, I may say, is to leave altogether out of consideration the more consciously articulated feeling among very large numbers of decent and honourable neonle in the Republic that a cause which is rejected by the overwhelming majority of those most directly affected by it—that is, the population

of the North—and which is prosecuted by methods of barbarity that the by methods of barbarity that me Black and Tans at their worst never approached, would not be worthy of their support even if they believed in

And so Senator O'Brien pointed out

that the emperor has no clothes, and for good measure added some power-ful evidence, also based on careful investigation, that the people of the Republic hold the IRA in the profoundest contempt. And what happened? Did the bien-pensants of Dublin politics express mild surprise Dublin politics express mild surprise that so much attention should have been paid to something that no sensible person would trouble to deny, and pass on to other topics? Well, the answer to that question is implied by my opening words, expressing the conclusion that if Ireland will not go away she should be taken away, and not brought back. The first official reaction in Dublin came from Dr Martin O'Donoghue, Minister of Planning and Economic Minister of Planning and Economic

Development (there's glory for you!)

in Mr Lynch's government, who described Senator O'Brien's remarks as mischievous", and went on: I hope nobody on the British side.

will be foolish enough to think that Dr O'Brien's remarks carry any serious weight or reflect government thinking. There! Is not that the essence of

what Ireland and Britain are up against? There they so still, the Irish. "pathriots", with minds locked and barred, mouths gaping wide to extrude the very last morsel of folly, and consumed with a wild terror at the prospect that sense may one day prevail. What else but extinction is fitting for a nation that includes the Dr O'Donoghues in its highest political counsels and excludes the Dr Next day, Senator O'Brien resigned

Next day, Senator O'Brien resigned (I suspect that he was obliged by his party's leaders to resign) from the Parliamentary Labour Party; he keeps his seat in the Upper House, of course, and with the extra freedom his relinquishing of the whip must give him he will no doubt con-tinue to speak words of wisdom, and to be reviled for doing so. For note that the remarks which eave rise to that the remarks which gave rise to the denunciations (and Dr O'Donoghue's attack, it is clear, was fully representative of official Irish political thinking—though not, I take it, of the opinions of the Irish people) were not couched in the form of a demand for action, a stirring advocacy of new and radical proposals, a call to Ireland to reject the old ways and the men who follow them. Senator O'Brien's speech was concerned with facts. To a certain breed of Irish politician (not that the British ones are exactly strangers to the feeling), facts which do not fit their prejudices cause them more rage, dismay and confusion than would the hurling of half a hundred-weight of gelignite through their bedroom windows. What touched the

derve was not the feeling that Senator O'Brien was wicked, but that he was

right.

And all this, I may say, took place before anyone in Dublin could have seen the October edition of Encounter, in which Senator O'Brien has written an article called "Liberty and Terror", with the subtitle "Husions of Violence, Delusions of Liberation". Though his study of terrorism ranges beyond the Irish variety, it concentrates mostly upon it, and when I tell you that in the course of the article Senator O'Brien mentions Wolfe Tone in terms which are by no means those of the normal veneration, you may of the normal veneration, you may perhaps imagine what will happen when the news gets back home that, having already said that the Irish people do not much care about unify-ing their island, he has now said that

The idea of negotiating with men who have no democratic base, and no democratic base, and no democratic mandate or responsibility, whose sole passport to the negotiating table is the gun, is a quite different matter. I am speaking, of course, of conditions in which democratic consultations are regularly and mornally available, as in these islands. It seems to me that, in these conditions, democratic governments cannot, without abdication of trust and a fruiters abdication at erments camot, without abdication of trust, and a fruidess abdication at that, engage in political negotiations with people whose sole claim to take part in such negotiations is their proven capacity to kill, burn, or destroy, and whose objectives in such negotiations are incapable of fulfilment.

That sort of language is not only almost unknown in the Republic, except from Senator O'Brien; it could hardly be said in the British House of Commons without uproar ensuing. And, of course, the despair that contemplation of Ireland tends to instil in the contemplator comes not only from the fact that such wisdom and truth provokes, and will provoke, the kind of reaction among provoke, the kind of reaction among his public compatriots that I have

described and quoted; it confirm the knowledge that Dr did, after all, lose his seat in the Parliament (his seat in the was not obtained by direct elections suggesting powerfully the wrote at the time, "the Irish prefer the gaudy lies of myth sober reality of fact".

If they do, the situation is worse than it seems, for in the of Senator O'Brien's evidence the Irish people's attitude to and the IRA it seems that the even believe the myth they vo And if that is the case, then if is indeed hopeless, and a co-should immediately be placed haps, by a delicate irony, with land and Wolff) for the construction stout hawsers with which visage a multinational oper taking place under the aegis of United Nations) will tow the island to its last resting place. But I cling now to the hope my initial belief, that Conor O O'Brien was defeated because constituents preferred lies to was wrong, and that he went out the tide that was flowing again party because of other consideral altogener. After all, if he is right his latest thesis, it is altogether in likely that the Irish voters of their new government because their dissatisfaction with say, ment on the part of the Dublin erument to achieve the "liberati of the North from the English of the North from the English nexion. Anyway, if the sinking to take place after all, I hope British Government will send a at the last minute. Did not the promise to spare Sodom of ten men could be found within its ga © Times Newspapers Ltd. 1977

What I would do if I were ... a trade union leader

If I were leader of It I were leader of a trade union—perhaps the TGWU to which my fasher belonged—I would be less happy than Ernie Bevin. I would feel increasingly anxious.

I would feel ashamed to contrast the ill-repute in which British unions are increasingly held with the pride the pioneers could take 100 years ago. Their emphasis was on self-help, voluntary action, and develop-ing members' benefits in adversity. Today, their heirs scorn self-help, mock freedom and pass the buck for all were registered and run as Friendly Societies. Today union members still call one another "brother "—when they are not denouncing dissenters as "black-leg", "boss's nark" or

I recall that a centure union leaders might back MPs with Tory, Liberal or Radical labels. Today they mostly appear the political lackeys of the Labour Government, True when Labour is in opposition through the frankly fraudulant block vote based on phantom millions of apathetic—and involuntary—members. Hence the paradox of reactionary radicalism. In union politics, victory goes to the active, amoral and militant minority who most of the time hodwink the moderate majority with appeals to "loyalty", "unity", "solid-arity".

Another source of anxety is that as Labour has been proby militants toward collectivism. union independence and freedom are put in peril. With nationalized industries, central and local government, subsidized and corrupted "private" enterprise, unions find they are negotiating at employer—the state. The out-come of all such contests

depends on an uneasy and

shifting tug-of-war.

trial Relations Act, British unions retained plenty of weapons to prevent a Conservative Government having its constitutional way on wages, employment, taxation, social policy. It was to side step "con-frontation" that Mr Wilson and Mr Foot after 1974 conceded further power to trade unions would not use it against a Labour Government. Today, much as union leaders may much as ulmon leaders may wish to oblige Mr Callaghan, they risk being spat on and pushed aside by militants who manipulate shop-floor meetings (and votes), outbid the moder-

ares, mount demos and exploit their enlarged armoury of weapons and legal immunities against non-strikers, the em-ployer, other unions, Parliathe community itself. between wages, employment, investment, government spending and inflation. It is true that reputable, independent economists may still dispute in what circumstances excessive wages lead to unemployment or inflation or both at once. But union leaders talk as if they believe _and under Conservative Governments they persuade themselves to believe—that wage in-creases can have limite to do with either inflation or un-

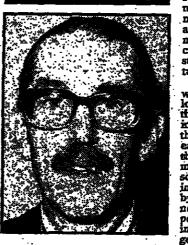
We all know that, in private, the less fuddled heads on the TUC understand that wages can be pushed ahead of output to the point where memployment must result. The common-sense reasons are plain. In pri-vate industry, higher labour costs either raise prices and reduce sales, or destroy profit-ability and drive capital investment away. In government ser-vices, increased wages or salaries reduce the number that can be employed except at the expense of cutting spending and employment elsewhere. I would conclude on this

reckoning that the blame for

employment.

Ralph Harris

General Director of the Institute of Economic



the increased unemployment after the Heath inflation must be on the heads of the unions; they priced workers out of profitable employment at a time when Mr Healey warned he would refuse to finance fur-ther inflation. As a union leader, I would, therefore, look back with shame to causing unemployment by irresponsible demands—under the "social contracts"—reinforced by decades of anti-profit rhetoric. I would expect public un-

easiness to prompt more searching questions about the economic rationale of unions. Thus economics like Hayek and Hutt have long argued that union pressure cannot raise real wages above the competitive market level without causing a flight of capital from strike-

most confused union leader tempering shame with anger for being misled by those confounders of economic counsels from the NIESR, Oxford and Cambridge (often vias Budapest), and their popularizers in Penguin Specials and the media. It was they who lent plausi-bility to NEDC and National Plan by naively equating plan-ned growth with forced invest-ment and full employment and failing to consider the market-price incentives for

capital investment or the wage structure consistent with main-taining the demand for labour. What would make me furious with the antics of these ideoogical academics is that now their policies have caused investment and output to flag, they bounce back with more, easy options. Why not solve "reflating" by con-investment from insurance funds and banks, and by carbing imports? They never tell us that the trick is performed in the short run by imposing higher prices through generalized inflation and pro-tected inefficiency at home, and by cutting off access to cheaper

Inemployment.

I would certainly take the Paul Johnson affair most seriously. He is simply the latest prominent example of the idealists and sympathizers who have turned on the Labour have turned on the Labour Party as trade union blundering and bullying have become too plain to ignore. Remember Desmond Donnelly, Woodrow Wyant, George Brown, Brian Walden, A. L. Rowse and Lords Chalfont, Goodman and Shinwell? And the only new recruits for the unions have come from closed-shop press same and the Marxist-Socialist

goods from abroad; and in the long run at the cost of more

gangs and the Marxist-Socialist underworld.

Don't bungle it this time

best harvest in a competitive market economy. Unions have set back this advance in Britain by their crippling restrictive practices and their cussed, conservative mentality. Who ever beard of a strike called against a firm for not installing more efficient equipment? Yet how often have we witnessed the reverse in mines, railways, steel, docks, printing, etc, etc.

I should feel ashamed that as increased, their "spokesmen like spoiled children who want everything, always on their own terms. The latest example is seen at Grunwick where a man as temperate (or temperate righteously denounces a tiny employer for "provocation" in daring to stand by such attenusted legal rights as Mr Foot has, epparently inadvertently, left him.

My anger and shame would now be outweighed by anxiety. Power has somehow brought impotence. Now that union leaders are armed with giant's strength, now that the law has moved further—in Dicey's phrase—from "unjust sever-ity" (1799) to "unjust privi-lege" (1906), too much is expected in return. If the unions made the Labour Government in 1974, they are now begged not to break it in 1977.

I would have to face the fact that even responsible union leaders—as well as their supplanters have more power than can be exercised for their own or the public good. Just as over-mighty barons, merchants, landlords, monopolists, had to structing a free society, unions will have to shed sectional privileges and live within the same legal framework that governs other corporate bodies and where won by harnessing innovation and enterprise to scarce

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in a damp flat She is a plucky widow who understand-Breathtaking, ably gets depressed at being isolated all day, every day, in a small, damp flat; with but fun

no one to talk to and nowhere to go. She longs for the chance to meet others; and to do a little light work to keep mind and body active. Help the Aged would like to help her, and others in similar plight; but we have to refuse

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at the top

When Princess Margaret opened a new ballet rehearsal room at Sadler's Wells yesterday in memory of her friend John Cranko, the famous choreographer who died so tragically at the age of 45 four years ago, it was literally a breathless occasion which would certainly occasion which would certainly have appealed to Mr Cranko's dry sense of humour.
Unbeknown to Princess Margaret Sadler's Wells was

obliged to open its new £80,000 room only at the convenience of its ancient and temperamental backstage lift (which refuses to work about as frequently as a viexican donker

Because the lift has a personality of its own, it was thought wise to restrict it to just one flight—for the Princess—and to send the 100 guests by foot to the fourth floor of the building.

The lift rose to the occasion and carried its royal burden to the top, but the normally talkative bailer-persons who attended found themselves quite unable to converse when they got there. Six, in fact, had to ask for assistance and others were advised to miss the opening ceremony and go straight to a luncheon on the first floor. Mr Cranko would have been amused to observe that the welcoming party which met the Princess outside the building was forced to beat an undigni-

fied petit jete up 89 steps in

order to meet ther again as she emerged at the top of the building.

Some of us had only just recovered when the Princess paid tribute to the South African-born Mr Cranko who Collapsed on an airliner bring-ing him and the Soutgart Ballet of which he was direc-tor, back from the United States in 1973.
Princess Margaret, who is
President of the Sadler's Wells
Foundation, said: "The quality

of his life and work can truly be described as magical. His death at such an early age was a tragedy.

The new ballet rehearsal room was built in 15 months after the Royal Ballet touring company decided to make the theatre their permanent home. Moncy came from the John Cranko Memorial Fund other groups.

Amazing young record

Wearing my Biggles hat, let me say that I hope the Schueider Trophy will be given an extra loving dust down at its home in the Science Museum in London this weekend. For it is 50 years (September 25, 1927) since the first of the three victories that captured the trophy outright for Britain took place.

The first win, by Flight-Lieutenant Webster of the RAF Lieutenant Webster of the RAF in an international contest at Venice, was in the Supermarine S5N220 seaplane at the astonishing (no. I joke not) speed of 281.65 mph. The S5 was one of the early designs of R. J. Mitchell, later to rise to Spirlire fame.

In 1929, Plight-Lieutenant Waghorn did it again at an average speed of 328.63 mph and then in 1931, Flight-Lieutenant Boothman clinched the trophy near Lee-on-Solent at a

I know I said I wouldn't, but how can I resist: Denis Lemon rules—0h Gay. And then, again, Menachem Begin rules—0h

Bitter symphony

A rare opportunity for southern connoisseurs of real ale to get Brahms and Liszt presents itself at Alexandra Palace where the Campaign for Real Ale has launched what is believed to be Britain's first beer festival of any note.

Brahms and Liszt, as any accomplished beer drinker will know, is a strong ale brewed in north Yorkshire by Selby Brewery Ltd and sold at just one public house, in Lecds. It is one of more than 100 real ales—beer which is not pasteurized, stored or drawn by use of carbon dioxide under pressure—which some 60 breweries will be exhibiting until Sunday

Sunday. CAMRA chairman, Chris Bruton, said: "We want to let the public know just how many good beers there are in Britain. Some breweries have been unable to exhibit because they are working at full capac-ity just to supply their normal outlets."



Cheaper by the ton?

Where, you may well ask; will it all end? My man in the Far East tells me that a hundred Chinese newlyweds (who were married at a mass ceremony in Singapore the other day) are to arrive in London next week for what is described as a "group boneymoon" (how kinky can you get?) you get?)

The honeymooners have each against the dangers of white generous and original gest paid £550 for a "wedding pack flour and bread, augar and might inspire other authors age tour" (yuk) which will sweets.

whisk them round 10 countries in 16 days. The all-in price (sounds like a wrestling match) covers the cost of the ceremony, covers the cost of the ceremony, reception, honeymoon, wedding attire and baggage (no, nor mother-in-law).

The happy couples will all stay in the same hotels and will go "on outings together." A spokesperson for the organizers told the that this was the second wear to arch intended.

seventh year (no such intended) of these mass honeymoons, but the first time such a group had been so Europe.

Highlights of the tour? A Literary don's Pearly Kings and Queens and a fish end chip supper with Cockney cabaret. Lest they should feel homesick, the finale of the evening will be "there was I, weiting at the church" which is to be sung in

Proper use of your loaf

I was not at all sure about the need for Government health need for Government health warnings on packets of cigarentes (after all tobacco can be terribly good for the nerves) but there does seem to be a case for sticking warnings on some food items of doubtful value which have been getting away with it for years.

So I was delighted to hear that the McCarrison Society (what do you mean you've never heard of it?) has just sent a deputation to the Department of Health and Social Security Health and Social Security

The society, named afte Robert McCarrison, the dire of nutrition research in the Indian Research Fund Associated tion from 1929 to 1935 (I leave you'd remember), told the healthy officials of the Delay that if Britain changed to a few of whole wheat bread, more and veg, less meat and pulses, it could save £3,500 food imports and reduced incidence of many committee of many committee of diseases.

generosity

The author John Fowles, most recent achievement the rewriting and republic of his novel the Magus than 10 years after it first the light of day (and each him a small fortune) modest man. So when he ponded positively to a red from War on Want for ch able support, he asked that licity, if any, be subdued. In fact, a few terse line the current issue of the charhouse newspaper Front, were all he got. Mr Fowl, war on Want supporters told, had given them the mic script of his third novel. French Lieutenant's Woman's day and the had the second to the second to he had the second to the s

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Sir, Many Anglicans, and others, will share my gratitude for your leading article "Divided Anglicans"; and we shall hope that the spirit of Pauline moderation will be spirit of Pauline moderation will be spirit of Pauline moderation will be a spirit of Pauline moderation will be spirit of the spirit of Pauline moderation will be spirit of the spi

spread, not only through the bench

of bishops (who are specifically called to the ministry of califica-

tion), but also through the church

at large. You rightly remark upon the

ambiguous nature of anglicanism.

derlying both from catholic and

reformed traditions. Yet it has

remained our constant claim that our church and its ministry has con-

tinued part of the hely catholic

church, and there are mone signs that, by implication if not by

explicit agreement, this claim is at least acknowledged by our Roman

and Orthodox brethron.

Perhaps we have heard too much

about the freedoms of unity rather

than its restraints, restraints we all

daily experience in home and work as well as in church life. There seems an intemperate harte on the part of those who wish to unpark

the traditional lumage of the church without considering its

Most of the issues connected with

the place of women in the ministry are secondary, but the innovation

of women prints fundamentally affects the ministry of the courts

and is a basic channe in church order more radical than any achieved by the Reformation. The submission of moderates is that the constraints of unity prevent our table.

ing unilateral action on a marror which is fundamental. It is not for

us to make up the rules-the church

is not a merely human organi-ation

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liberalism grounded on emotion rather than theology has brought

the Episconal Church in the United States to the brink of schism. Para we hope that this will be emided here? For many the possibility of schism cannot be entertained, and if driven from one church only one

alternative remains.

Are we, who have already jetti-

soned so much in the name of pro-gress, finally to discover that we

rave thrown out the baby with the

Sir, There are as you say in todar's leading editorial (September 20).

no fundamental objections to the

ordination of women to the priest-hood in the Church of England. It

is not merely permissible, it is right in principle and therefore in proc-

tice, that the Church should no longer offer more than rifty per

cent of the people ir serves but second class membership.

As the guardian of principle, of the highest principles we who he-lieve in her would say, it is bitterly

lieve in her would say, a solution of distressing that faced with so glittering an opportunity for courage on behalf of principle, the

Church seems to temporize. You cannot appoince a principle, simul-

taneously defer its implementation, and still have to win respect for

the cause you serve—shove all among the young who, perhans rather more than usual in these years, are any to be impatient with

years, are an to be impatient with arouncuts of expediency.

To those who urse the current artitudes and opinions of Rome and Constantinople in justification of timidity, one can only say that, as in the past, Canterbury must now lead whose they in the fullness of

lead where they in the fullness of time will surely follow.

To our mutual shame, a false

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P. C. MOORE,

The Deanery.

Hertfordshire.

S. Albans,

Yours faithfully,

From Mr D. C. Miller

Anglican Church

From the Dean of St Albans



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FREE OVERDRAFTS FOR THE FAMILY

ter all, lose his sea the The Lance affair has provided use of a bank's money for overagesting by dir he President Carter with the most drafts to be given without interest to line and their families. The saudy lies of lact in the limb indigment since he entered the eality of fact in and been a double test. Was he right about these overdrafts was their than in the since in the saudy lies of his political interest to its officers and their families. The second reason for disquiet about these overdrafts was their size. If one takes together not only those given to him personally but also those for him personal personal

the sandy lette by judgment, since he entered the feality of facts of the White House. It has in effect tey do, the silvain been a double test. Was he right to accept, or to ensure that he since of seems, for he received, Mr. Lance's resignation of the Office of stator of seems, for he received, Mr. Lance's resignation of the Silvain freely being the seems that he say Director of the Office of stator of seems, for he can handling of the episode such that is the case, which as to preserve confidence in his immediately be to own conduct and capacity?

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measure of doubt on a number of questions. Probably the most important concerned the overdrafts Mr Lance had with the Calhoun First National Bank. There are at least two distinct The first is that no merchants is the such dawning to paid on some of the overdrafts paid on some of the overdrafts for Mr Lance and his family—that is on their overdraft that is on their overdraft that is on their overdraft accounts before June 1974 when the practice was changed after the intervention of the Office of the intervention of the Currency.

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wife and for his campaign fund when he ran for Governor of Georgia—which it is reasonable enough to do, as he benefited from all of them—then the total outstanding was on occasions well above the ceiling of loans that an American bank is legally permitted to give to an official, Mr Lance did not in this respect break the law-an overdraft does not qualify legally as a loan—but it was brought out effectively in the bearings that he had only avoided breaking it on this technical point. In 1975 the bank's board of directors signed an agreement with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency undertaking to make certain changes in their operations and a recent report from the Comptroller describes some of these overdrafts as "unsafe and unsound" banking practice. A man whose banking practice is regarded on such authority as being so questionable can hardly be well fitted to hold a high economic post in the

Government. It was not so clear from the hearings whether Mr Lance had in fact used the same assets as colleteral for two separate loans or whether this was a legitimate difference of interpretation between bank and client which was subsequently resolved by repayment of the loan. Nor can one be sure whether Mr Lance misled the committee's staff before being confirmed in his office last January. There was a straight conflict of evidence between staff members and Mr Lance—and it is only fair to Mr Lance to acknowledge that they, as well as he, were by this time under criticism. There was also the question whether he was guilty of impropriety or worse in his use as President of the National Bank of Georgia of the bank's plane. That is still under investigation, but the distinction

use of a plane can in those circumstances often be a narrow one. On the basis of what is known at the moment, it would be wrong to be too censorious on that point.

Yet the total impression left by Mr Lance, after all he has said in his defence, is of a rural banker who had cut too many corners in his career for him to be acceptable in government. President Carter must also have borne in mind that Mr Lance is still under investigation by the Department of Justice, the Inland Revenue Service, the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Elections Commission. If he had stayed on there was always the danger that further indications of unsuitable practices would have come out and that the future of Mr Lance would have remained as a perma nent question mark over the Carter administration.

But if the President was right

to accept the resignation, did he show sufficient political sensitivity in handling the affair. His judgment in picking Mr Lance in the first place was clearly mistaken, though Mr Lance is an able man. But once the choice had been made Mr Carter was in a dilemma. It would have been taken as a sign of weakness and would have been a dangerous precedent if he had allowed Mr Lance to be swept quickly from office by the first surge of public criticism without having a chance to state his defence. There is a real risk condemnation by innuendo and it would not be healthy for American public life if press's natural enthusiasm for disclosures were to become a form of inquisition that none could resist. By delaying his decision as long as he did Mr Carter ensured that Mr Lance had a fair chance to justify himself. Indeed, it may be said that in continuing to assert so strongly his confidence in Mr Lance's integrity the President has made his acceptance of the resignation look a little questionable. But on grounds of public confidence and political wisdom Mr Carter was right to act when he did.

STATUTORY POWERS AND BARGAINING POWERS

between business and private

to record of Reifast. If an adversary Howmen, I would com declares that the cudgel you are holding is merely cardboard, that state I could not and then you sheepishly put it bunke my second so down, as the Government seems a de real unions et themp to have done, the word will rapidly get around that cardboard is all you are armed with. And re invita standards thi a canding temperature since withdrawal of official favour in ways more or less similar to that attempted here is the only direct sanction that the Government has against private companies that disregard its advice on wage restraint, the news must tend to increase the risk of a new pay explosion. The Government's other means of influence are rather more forceful and distinctly more legitimate than the threatened withdrawal of credit guarantees for Mackie's exports. But the affair indicates how hard it will be to impose general compliance by such methods.

best served up in hers, helped reims hers, helped reims The company makes textile machinery and has a thriving export business, much of it with countries where political and economic conditions are uncertain. Commercial sources of capital often hesitate to back such ventures, and the Government has had powers since before the war to guarantee companies against loss, so as to encourage exports. Withdrawal of the guarantees to Mackie would put hundreds of jobs and orders worth millions at risk. Whether or not the Government would have found this an accept-

of the last time-less like a misfortune for the able price to pay if a British policy is not an equitable one—
incomes to have come up so soon in Northern Ireland. Apart from against James Mackie and Sons the civil turnoil, wages are low all restraints unscathed. Others, and the civil turnoil, wages are low and restraints unscathed. there and unemployment his and the province finds it diffieconomically.

The use of withdrawal of

export credit guarantees against any major company would be liable to give rise to difficulties similar in kind, if not in degree. The Government should have foreseen the difficulties in this case. But that is not the main objection to the use of guarantees in this way. Ministers have been given powers to arrange guarantees for quite clearly defined purposes—to encourage trade with other countries and to provide international aid. The battle against inflation is not among the purposes specified. It happens that the assistance for Mackie was offered under Section Two of the 1975 Export Guarantees Act This requires the minister to act as seems to him "expedient in the national interest"—a provision which may have stood between the Government and the threat of a lawsuit. It is, however, contrary to constitutional practice to use legislation with restricted economic purposes for quite other ends. It could indeed be argued that the national interest discretion is available to the Government only in the context of international trade, though the passage would easily bear a wider interpretation. Judges in several recent cases have shown an inclination to read such

discretionary escape-clauses narrowly, however, and the tendency is a healthy one. escape-clauses This method of using broad

small and obscure, will suffer to make a public example. Even the cult to keep the skilled workers criteria that the Government it needs if it is ever to recover employs will inevitably be imperfect. Some settlements will never become known, in the absence of a system of notification. The Government's guidelines refer to an average rate of settlements, and studiedly avoid laving down rules applicable in particular cases: no employer can know exactly how he stands. This is especially so in respect of real and bogus productivity deals. The best that can be said is that, as a marginal factor beside the control of money supply, these means may help to reinforce moderation.

> It is almost certain that the wage deal at Mackie fell far outside any desirable bounds of restraint, however vague. If it sticks, it will be seized on by other trade unionists as an example-all the more after the Government is right to evert all legitimate influence to prevent a fresh burst of wage inflation. If it wants further means, it should seek them openly from Parliament. There are serious dangers in combing through the stature book to find laws that can be pressed into action for pur-poses quite undreamt of by those who conceived them. The powers of the state are so wide today that pressures of many kinds can be brought without any specific statutory sanction. Even when the Government is right, as it is in this case, to see its purpose as one of extreme importance, it should beware of using starutes as instruments of pressure beyond their purpose.

Civil Service pay From Mr W. L. Kendall

Sir. Mr Mundy (September 13) has a "nagging" suspicion about my intelligence and no doubt about my emotion. Because I have a fierce charity I have no "nagging" doubts about his arrows against Civil about his errors regarding Civil Service pay. They are due, clearly, to a perversion of understanding rather than a deprayity of the heart. First, I am sorry that Mr Mundy chooses to resurrect yet again the diresome arguments about increments. The fact remains that the ments. The fact remains that recently expired incomes policy specifically allowed self-financing increments in existing pay scales to continue. Increments have been under attack for so long now I begin to believe that they will not feature for much longer in Civil Service pay

settiemėnts. For the record, however, let me stress again that the agreed rate for the job is the scale maximum which, in the Civil Service pay scale consists more accurately of decrements from that point. Where there can possibly be any "unfair in moving up a preadvantage determined scale towards the true rate for the job, under strangements suphorized by Government

Second, with regard to the cover out a case for an intolerable worsening of Civil Service and other public age: of pay research surveys, Mr ing of Civil Service and other public sector pay on the basis of a not particularly convincing sample. For

employers of all sizes are included in a normal year's work by the Pay Research Unit. This coverage is far wider than the percentage of the working population which Mr Mundy uses to support his assertion that half a million civil servants and, inter alia, 6 million public

powers to enforce Government

servants are over-paid. Furthermore, the Civil Service pay agreement of 1974 specifically states (in paragraph 17) that the Pay Unit Director has an "overriding responsibility to ensure that the number and distribution of the organizations (surveyed) are such as to provide him with information as widely representative as possible" Does Mr Mundy really have the standing to challenge the Director's professional expertise in this respect?

Which brings me to the final point which I would like to make on Mr Mundy's letter. His interest is with one particular area where he feels public sector pay rates impinge on his particular concern (I understand he has an interest in the electronics industry). My concern is with a non-industrial Civil Service of 550,000 embracing every known form of white collar employment. I leave your readers to judge whether or not Mr Mundy has made

my part, I will be content to await the next findings of the Pay Research Unit when it is at last allowed to operate ouce again.

Yours faithfully,
W. L. KENDALL, Secretary General,
Civil Service National Whitley
Council, Staff Side,
19 Rochester Row, SW1. September 14.

Use of industrial plant

From Mr G. T. Schwurtz Sir, Mr Ken Gill should not worry what he would do if he were... (September 13) but what he should do now with the strikers at Leyland who had £300m taxpayer's money invested in new equipment, or the Meriden Motor-cycle Co-operative which had £50m invested, or the Fleet Street workers who refuse to work new machines, or the miners who leave their new equipment to demonstrate at Grunwick. Empty words, hot air distributed,

but no action.

Mr Gill may do well to contemplate that the earnings on investment, ie invisible earnings, do contribute a large measure to keeping Britain above water. Let him sweep in front of his own door.

Yours faithfully, G. T. SCHWARTZ, 24A Avenue Road,

Highgate, No.

Political variety in

universities From Projessor R. F. Leslie

Sir, May I ask who in our univer-sities are "the Mariasts who are the angue tioning enemies of liberty "? Evidently Professor Julius Gould knows of them and he should name them. I should also like to know who are the persons who rely, like any other network, upon mutual support in the making of appointments." This seems to be an accuration of malpractice.

I have the honour to be the head of a department which contains colleagues of varying outlooks. In our day we have had and to some entent still have a Communist Party parlianientary candidate, a Labour Party parliamentary candidate, a member of the Box Group, a Spight of the Order of St Gregory, a Mother Superior of a Catholic tenching order, the son of a distinguished Anglican dean, the flaughter of a colonial governor and several others whose political affiliations I have wave pointed armanons i have never sought to discover I should nerhaps add that I have myself been decorated with the Officer's Cross of the Order of Polonia Restituta

My colleagues are boul to one

another and to the subject they profess, I would suggest to Professor Gould that ours is not an abnormal situation. I am certain that there are other university denartments with an equal diversity I suggest that Professor Goald examine the merus of a sy tem by which all posts are advertised and the best candidates are appointed irrespective of sex, colour, religion and political outlook. That is the best contribution to the defence of liberty in higher education. Yours fathfully, P. F. LESLIE.

Queen Mary College, University of London. Department of History, Mile End Road, E1, September 21.

Attempt to unseat MP

From Mr Michael Craig-Cooper Sir, With reference in Mr Neville Beale's letter today (September 22) I believe it would assist all parties for the present episude to be brought to as speedy a conclu-sion as feasible. Accordingly, I invite you to send one representative of your newspaper to examine my correspondence files as former Chairman of the Chelsea Conservative Association with specific reference to what Mr Beale describes as "the receipt and investigations of complaints against the Member started under my pre-decessor as Chairman of the Association.

I have written in similar terms to the Editor of The Daily Telegraph to whom, I understand, Mr Beale has sent a statement or letter along the lines of that published by you today.

I have sent a copy of this letter.

to Mr Beale. Yours faithfully. MICHAEL CRAIG-COOPER, Former Chairman and Acting Agent. Chelsea Conservative Association, 1974-77 (February 28). 71A Cadogan Place, SW1.

Recruiting civil servants

From Mr H. Mayr-Harting Sir, The Oxford and Cambridge element in he Civil Service is not guite as easily explained as Sir Louis Petch (September 20) thinks. In the years when I was a lecturer at Liverpool University, very few of the ablest students, who would have held their heads up well in most Oxford circles, could be persunded to consider an application to the Civil Service, so convinced were they of the force of the arguments as wearisomely reiterated by people like Sir Louis Petch. The Civil Service Commission itself made very fair minded and valiant efforts to counteract these attitudes, which it perceived.
Yours faithfully,

HL MAYR-HARTING, St Peter's College,

Oxford.

From Mr Alexander Bolland Sir, One read with interest the letter of Sir Louis Petch (September 20) concerning Civil Service graduate recruitment. It requires,

however, a rider.

Sir Louis recorded: "I have no doubt that the majority of boys and girls with intellectual ambitions and girls with intellectual ambitions... put Oxford and Cambridge at the top of their university priority list." Whilst this may be true of England and Wales, it should be noticed in a general statement such as the one above that most boys and girls in Scotland with intellectual ambitions never think of making an application for admission to any English university. Oxbridge not English university. Oxbridge not

withstanding.
I feel that neither Sir Louis nor the Civil Service Commission should need to be reminded of the four ancient Scottish universities which, deservedly, attract the applications of most of the brightest and best of Scottish potential undergraduates. These universities have been lauded by hands more learned and more able than mine.

I trust that I am wrong, and if so may be forgiven in finding more than a hint of an arrogant inference in Sir Louis's letter and in the standard answers of the Civil Service Commission to the Expenditure Committee on the same topic. The inference is that those who choose to attend universities other than Oxbridge do so because they have failed to gain entrance to the latter

Yours faithfully, ALEXANDER ROLLAND, Advocate's Library, Parliament House. Edinburgh.

' Enigma Variations '

Sir, Mrs Dorothy R. Wagner's letter (September 19) reminds me that after the War I heard (and saw) an American entertainer hum Way Down upon the Swanee River accompanied by himself whistling Dvorak's Humoresque, or vice versa. It sounded like nothing on earth. Yours faithfully, ARNOLD GOLDMAN, Department of American Studies, University of Keele,

Keele, Staffordshire.

From Professor Arnold Goldman

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The governing of schools

From Mr A. G. Groves Sir. If the recommendations of the Taylor report are implemented there will be 522 extra meetings each year in Haringey, extra to the considerable number already held. They will take place in the evening and they will not be meetings at which parents and teachers meet to discuss the education of children, but meetings with clerks, and agendas on which will appear items such as minor repairs, the budget for the term and many other routine management matters at present dealt with by my staff under the firm control of the Education Committee and its sub-committees, which consist of elected members of the Authority. Attendance at these extra meetings will be confirmed to a small arrange of people of fined to a unall group of people of whom only one quarter will have been elected—unless one counts remination by a trade union as an election-and from which the great majority of the parents and teachers at the school will be excluded.
In order to prepare for, staff and follow up these meetings, many more officers, both professional and

administrative, will need to be appointed to my stall and paid—and yet there will be less contact with parents, many fewer meetings of the parent teacher body of the school because heads, teachers and education officers will have no time for the meetings of parents which now take place on curriculum and organization topics relevant to the school, and which all parents and teachers may attend. Heads and officers will be occupied writing for governing bodies on the school lavatories and how history should be taught, instead of genting on with the job of repairing the landories and both teaching the nistory and explaining how and why to nupils and parents ailke.

There is much fine thought and idealism behind the Taylor recommendations, but I believe they have got it fundamentally wrong: Yes! much more parental involvement and head, teacher and officer accountability is needed, but it will be achieved by the growth of the systems of opening schools to parents and holding regular meetngs for all parents and teachers on the things they all want to talk about, not by the setting up of many new committees restrictive in membership and confined mainly to non elected and therefore non-accountable membership. It is all the parents, all the teachers, all the

officers and all the elected members who must share responsibility and the practical recommendations of Taylor, not its philosophy that must

be seriously questioned.

Neither the inbuilt conservatism of the teachers' associations nor the uninformed enthusiasm of parent organizations must be allowed to sway opinion out of proportion to the vast amount of practical know how, and enthusiasm, available from professional education officers and highly experienced education com-mittee members. I believe that we could be heading for new arrangements which, fer from improving communications and accountability in our schools system, actually

lessen it. Yours faithfully, ALAN GROVES, Chief Education Officer, Borough of Haringey, Education Offices, Somerset Road. Tottenham, N17, September 21.

From the Headmester of The Preparatory School, Clifton College Sir, Would not the Taylor report have been all the better for a recommendation that school managers or governors would benefit from the inclusion among their number of the head of a neighbouring school?

In the independent system such practice is common. Heads welcome the support and expertise of a fellow head. The respective schools gain from the sharing and borrow-If teachers are to be represented

on the governing bodies of their within the school, is it not also important that the closest possible understanding should be developed between the comprehensive school on the one hand and the primary schools feeding it on the other? The presence of a primary school head on the governing body of a comprehensive school (and vice versa) would serve as a useful bridge between the two.

My own experience as a governor of three schools and a headmaster of one is that I learn much for my own school however modest my contribution to those I govern. Yours faithfully. JAMES W. HORNBY.

The Preparatory School, Clifton College, September 21.

Mrs Thatcher and the trade unions

From Mr Klaus Bochm

Sir, I am sorry that the Director of the (admirable) Committee for Electoral Reform should assume (letter, Sept 21) that our divisive clectoral system has created extra-parliamentary pressure groups and sorrier still that he confuses questions of electoral arithmetic with the authority of governments in the sense of their ability to withstand union pressure.

During my own life-time, the authority of the most authoritative British government (Churchill's first administration) had nothing whatsoever to do with electoral systems; nor had the lack of authority of the least authoritative (Chamberlain's);
nor for that matter had the erosion authority of Attlee's second administration (fatigue) nor the suicide of Heath's second admini-

stration (petulance). And there is no mechanistic solution capable of ensuring that a volatile public opinion is reflected accurately week by week in the House of Commons, hence Mrs Thatcher's interesting, if misguided, conversion to the use of referenda in the management of industrial relations.

The truth is that it is the business of government to govern and the business of interest groups to represent sectional interests. The constitutional mechanism for the reconc.Pistion of intractable conflicts between the two lies in Parliament, and the administrative mechanisms for avoiding such conflicts lies in the hands of the Civil Service. It is therefore to the reform of parliamentary procedure and to the sensitivization of the Civil Service to the realities of industrial relations that Mrs Thatcher and Mr Holme could better direct their attention. Yours sincerely.

KLAUS BOEHM, 14 Greville Road, NW6, September 21.

From Mr Julian Amery, MP for Brighton Pavilion (Conservative) Sir, Mrs Thatcher's referendum proposal reestablishes the Conservatives as a national and not a class party. It is in the historic Tory

For some two generations in the last century the Liberal Party was accepted as the natural party government. It claimed to speak the neonle. In fact it did the bidding of the industrial middle class, then the dominant economic force in the

The Conservatives only broke the Liberal ascendancy by appealing to the mass of the people against the Liberal establishment. Disraeli's Second Reform Bill, Lord Randolph Churchill's "Tory democracy" and loseph Chamberlain's tariff reform campaign established the Conserva-

tive Party as the national party. As such it governed directly or through coalitions from 1886 to 1964 with only two significant interruptions

by the Liberals, 1906-15 and by
Lahour, 1945-51.

Since 1964 the Labour Party has

been increasingly accepted as the natural party of government. Like the Liberal Party before it, it has claimed to speak for the people. In fact it has done the bidding of the changes in technology and the extension of the public sector, have become in their turn the most powerful economic force in the

herself ready, if challenged, to anneal to the mass of the people against the most nowerful vested interest seen in Britain since the medieval Church. In doing so she has, in effect, proposed an alliance between all those who have been or are being disnossessed by Socialism and those who have no hope of phasessing anything under it. A whole range of new policies and new attitudes will flow from this. Her referendum proposal, like the General Strike of Socialist methology, may never be used. But politics will not be the same again. In an age when the powers of the Honse of Lords and the prerogatives of the Crown have been whiteled arous the hot called incompliated arous the hot called incompliance.

JULIAN AMERY. 112 Eaton Square, SW1. September 20.

From Mr Robert Perceval Sir, I have been for many years an earnest student of carliamentary

earnest student of carliamentary and constitutional affairs, and some time ago reached the conclusion that if Edward I—a most sensible man, who can reasonably be regarded as the founder of Parliament—had had at his disposal the machinery of the Gallup poll and the football pool, he would have incorporated the referendum into the Constitution before 1300.

In any case, can't we keen Burke out of it? He and his colleagues (before Reform) only represented a tiny fraction of their constituents.

tiny fraction of their constituents, and couldn't have been delegates if

they had tried.

I have one further point, based on nothing but intuition. It is that the people don't like the smack of firm government, and in fact are happiest when the Commons majority is in single figures. Yours faithfully. ROBERT PERCEVAL,

individual member, for improper behaviour or for being improperly

elected. Thus any government

which sent a delegation of nominees

would have them thrown out at

once by the democratically elected majority. It would be humiliated

and would find itself under all sorts of disadvantages in EEC matters.

Its seats would remain empty until

European Parliament could accept.

If after a specified period no

such elections took place, the Euro-

pean Parliament could use its

second power and suspend or

cancel EEC membership. It would

be particularly appropriate if this

were the first new power to be

granted the new Parliament, which will be the only democratically

elected EEC institution.

Yours sincerely, NICHOLAS BETHELL.

Plateau du Kirchberg.

Luxembourg. September 20.

permitted elections which the

Pillaton Hall, Penkridge. Staffordshire. September 20.

Expulsion from EEC From Lord Bethell

Sir. Your report today (September 20) of the meeting of EEC Commissioners in the Ardennes suggests that, although they are in favour of every EEC country pledging itself to democracy, they do not support the idea of a mechanism for expulsion.

One can see their point. Who would take the decision to expel, the Council or the European Court, and according to what criteria? It will hardly be possible to lay down "rules" about democracy. On the other hand what is the use of a pledge if it cannot be enforced? And how would the EEC function with an undemocratic cuckeo in its

nest? Here surely is where the new directly elected European Parliament has a part to play. It could be given two powers. The first, which almost all parliaments have, would be the power to expel an

mintry. Mrs Thatcher has now declared

whittled away she has called into heing the ultimate check and halance available to democracy: the arbitroment of the people.

Human rights in Korea From the Reverend A. G. Hellier

D. C. MILLER, Homelands, Greendown,

Chewton Mendip,

Fath.

Somerset.

Sir, If freedom is indivisible hos can Lord Chalfont (September 19) justify the defence of South Korca against the North? The great divide between the communist and non-communist worlds is not synony

mous with that between oppression and freedom.

Consider his anology for a government which "is frankly authoritarian" whose "abrasive manifestations are likely to offend the sustantialities of those accustomed to ceptibilities of those accustomed to breathe the pure air of western liberal democracy. Consider his observation that the people "are prepared to got by for a while without what they regard as the desirable lawresh of freedom of freedom of the desirable lawresh and assembly as love as they desirable luxuries of treedom of speech and assembly as long as they are assured of the more immediate necessities of freedom from hunger and disease". The words have a familiar ring. They could equally apply to Chile or China or Tanzania. If the argument is valid it must be allowed on both sides-communist and non-communist. If invalid then we must revise our concent of the free world. Either way Lord Chalfont's grand strateeies lie in ruins.

Yours sincerely, A. G. HELLIER. 27 Dormington Drive, Tupsley, Hereford.

What Constable saw

From Mr Barry Gray Sir, Constable was not blind for colour—he had a most wonderful appreciation of it, as any admirer of his paintings will agree.

It is, however, true that certain colours which to most people would look different to him would have looked the same, and certain colours that to most people would look similar to him would have looked different. The correct name for lus condition, which affects about one man in 10, is not colour blindness but Daltonism, after the famous eighteenth century English scientist John Dalton who first identified and described the condition in scientific terms. Only about one person in 500,000 is truly blind to colour.

Yours faithfully, BARRY GRAY, 106 Lonsdale Drive, Rainham, Kent.



There is a Spanish joke which tells better than any political treatise the artitude of the authorities under the late General Franco to those who disagreed with them. A student is taking an oral examination and the professor asks him who won the Battle of Lepanto. He answers: "Franco, man, Franco." "And who won the Battle of Waterloo?" "Franco", replies the student. The astounded professor says: "You know nothing about history", and the student answers: "I think you must be a communist or a freemason".

Communism and freemasonry were the two greatest enemies of the dictator at whose feet most of the troubles of Spain were laid. Even in his last public speech

Why Freemason is still a dirty word in Spain

on October 1, 1975, the octagenarian dictator blamed the wave of artacks and criticisms against his regime on "a leftist masonic conspiracy among the political class in collusion with communist terrorist

The Communist Party was legalized earlier this year and now it is likely that freemasons will soon be allowed to wear their aprons again without fear of reprisals. Both were outlawed in 1940 by the "law of the repression of masonry and communism" which imposed a maximum prison sentence of 30 years for a mason of a high grade and up to 20 years for sympathizers. This law is still in exist-

ence.

A Spanish encyclopaedia which at the turn of the century dedicated 33 pages to an objective report on freemasonry was drastically revised after the civil war to blame freemasonry for the loss of the Spanish colonies, the fall of the dictatorship of General Primo de River in 1930 and of Alfonso XIII as well as

for the crimes of the Republic. To call | 2 Spaniard a freemason is still considered rather abusive while the word communist is even beginning to gain a certain air of respectability; perhaps because of the Eurocommunism drive of the party's secretary general Santiago Carrillo.

Just why General Franco decided to lump together communism with free-masonry in the same law—their concepts of the world are totally different—is at first hard to understand. General Franco, like all dictators, needed to create negative and positive myths to stay in power. Hirler used the myths of Jews and com-Hirler used the myths of Jews and com-munism and the superiority of the Aryan race. General Franco's distaste of com-munism is easy to comprehend, given his military background, and his intense catholicism, but his fanatical feelings against freemasonry less understandable. There is a story that the dictator wanted to become a freemason himself and applied for membership on two occasions, but was rejected. If this was so, and no

one has come up with any hard evidence other than remarks made by two people, one of whom was with General Franco during his Moroccan campaign, then it might have produced a feeling of resentment which manifested itself as a drive.

But a far more probable reason for the freemasoury ban was because of its liberalism and anti-clericalism, its links with the Republic and the fact that the secrecy surrounding lodges would inevitably lead any dictator to consider free-masons as conspirators, which indeed

The first lodge was established in Madrid in 1727, a year after one was set up in Gibraltar, then a British colony. Freemasons were briefly persecuted in Spain under Fernando VII for participating in the liberal movement. During the dictatorship of Primo de Rivera some of the military and politicians joined and in 1972 1923 condemned the dictatorship Mussolini.

St Manuel Azanam who was President of the Republican Government in 1935 publicly jound in 1932 same after the establishment of the Republic, the constitution of which was drawn up by styered lawyers one were disc freemasons. The first Republican Cabiner contained no less than five freemasons.

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A book published during the Livil War-by the nationalists contained the epilogue with the words: Converts and politicians. There are inhumerable germs of the Masonic and Lewish plague against which the Fascist Wazi and Falangist medicine must fight as it would against a real plague at the risk of contamination. Because except for Italy, part of Ger-many, Japan and Portugal freemasonry is everythere. It is the enemy

everythere it is the enemy."

The repression against freemasons during and after the way was fierce Many were summarily shot, others, like the Grand Master of the Spanish Orient in Barcelona spent 18 years in prison, while luckler ones fled into exile

in the "crusade" were members of military lodges. The pook My private compensations with Franco by his private sected and country. Lieutepant General, Francisco Franco Selgado Aranjo, records hos in 1965 of the country and country. how in 1963 an air force officer as the dictator to restore him to active se vice after relieving him of his post to being a member of the Tetuan Lodge peing a member of the Tethan Lodge in 1929. The officer frught on the dictante side in the Civil War and was decorated for his services, but General Francishaisted that he would have no freemassion active service, although he was perpared to give him a handsome civilian lob.

The extreme right spill feels the sam about freemander but will presumable acception themselves to living side by side of their enemies.

William Chise

Young love will have its way, even in China

Ritual essays on what I did in the holidays signal the end of summer. Rupert Harrison, a 17-year-old pupil at Atlantic College, Wales, went to China. Here are his impressions and just a few of the many photographs he took.

Wherever we went in China, we were continually aware of the dark clothes, of the grey buildings and the absence of advertisements. But the Chinese themselves are cheerful, well-fed and appear content. I was struck by the disproportionately small number of old people, the revolutions having taken their toll. To the untrained western eve individuals in a Chinese crowd, look, from a distance, very similar in their blue and grey "Mao look" suits. But closer inspection shows up dif-ferences both in the cut and quality of the material. In contrast with the adult population, children are dressed gaily— perhaps an indication of the emphasis laid

on the country's youth. In all larger towns, new blocks of flats are being built, some six storeys high. The guides told us each flat had three rooms, not mentioning that two families usually share one flat. The exceptions are officials'

families who have flats to themselves. The recently-erected earthquake shekers in Peking are proving a favoured bunding ground for amorous young couples, who, living in such cramped conditions, search for privacy. The government, in order to keep the birth-rate down, has put up posters advocating birth control, and hopes that attention is paid to them.

On the whole, it is a fairly clean country, typified by the pretty turquoise ceramic letter bins lining the streets of Canton Street cleaners are frequently Canton. Street cleaners are frequently seen, although we also noticed scavengers among large piles of rubbish in the provinces. Smoking has not been declared detrimental to health and as none of our group smoked, our guides took advantage of the free cigarettes land out in our honour at the places we visited. One habit that has been reported as being officially discouraged is spitting: anywhere and at any time. In one reception room, a spittion was provided for each and every chair. and every chair.

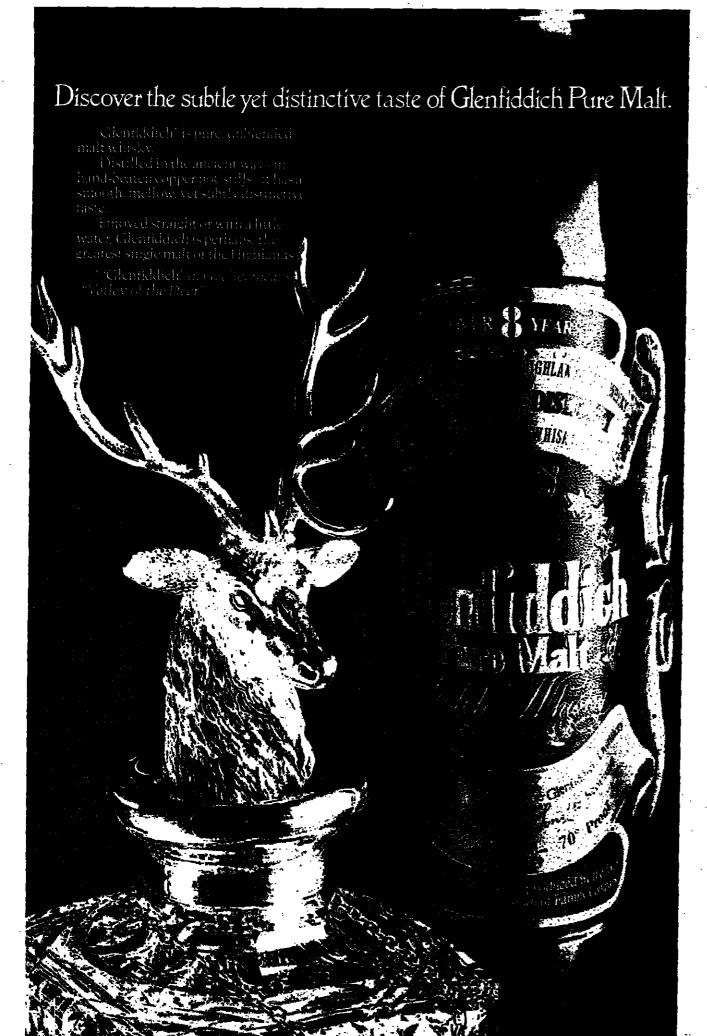
Traffic is limited to buses, trucks, small Traffic is limited to buses, trucks, small three-wheeled bikes and the cars are either official vehicles or taxis. There are no private cars. Roads are full of people and bicycles. A bicycle is a status symbol in itself as it represents several mouths wages. Driving can be a hair-raising experience, since there seems to be no Highway Code, and although vehicles are generally driven on the right, they tend to generally driven on the right, they tend to be driven on whichever side of the road is emptier, hooting continually as they do so.

In the main people walk. In the south, even the heaviest loads are pulled by teams of human beings—as are ploughs in the fields; it is a rare sight to see an arimal working. Much to our surprise a lot of animals, especially camels, are used in the northern provinces. During the whole trip, we saw only three dogs and cats are almost as rare. Outside the poorer homes of Canton families use the street, only a few feet wide, as a living room. Small children sit at tables doing their homework, surrounded by cages of geese and chickens.

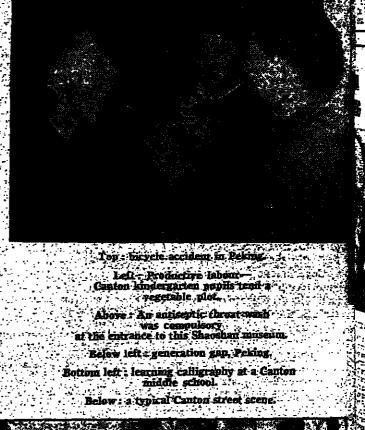
We visited many schools and discovered that there are more people learning English in China than there are in England, as over 90 per cent of schoolchildren are taught it. Schools are large, averaging 6,000 pupils. Every school has its own productive unit where about one third of productive that where about one third of the schoolday is spent—we found kinder-garten children tending lettuces, and older pupils packing toothbrushes, assembling accumulators, making torches, and manu-facturing and packing coloured wax crayous. Schools tended to be the brightest of all the Chinese institutions. On being asked about the problems of "streaming". we were told that both the weakest and

strongest pupils get extra lessons. After three weeks of eating with chop sticks it was reassuring for us to watch a group of Chinese on the flight out of Peking, struggle with knives and forks. The stewardesses finally resorted to providing them with plastic cocktail stirrers.









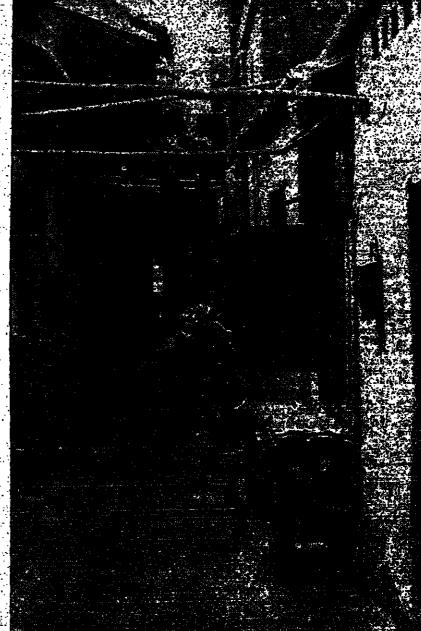
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SIR ERIC MILLER

Former chairman of Peachev

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were under investigation by the Department of Trade and the

In many ways Sir Eric's career was a model of the poor hay without advantages making good. Born 50 years ago, he was brought up in a Jewish community in the East End.

Leaving school at the age of 16 he went into the estate

agent business with the firm intention of making big money.

In this activity he came to the attention of Mr George Farrow,

then chairman of the small Peachey company, who em-physed him as an effective, if not particularly fastidious, agent. On his patron's death he became chairman.

Miller expanded the company

in residential property of a not particularly high grade. By the end of the 1960s the company

began to sell off much of this

residential property and invest the proceeds in commercial property, so that by the time he was forced off the board the portfolio was bal-

anced between commercial and residential property. Although the group owned the Churchill

hotel in the West End, it was

however never a major force in the property market. Indeed it is unlikely that the

company or its chairman would have in any way attracted the sort of attention which they

have drawn in the past eighteen months if it had not been for

the close personal and financial relationship which Sir Eric cul-

tivated with prominent poli-ticians. He is said to have con-

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oday's engagements

incess Margaret takes graduation parade at RAF College, Cran-well, 11.28. well, 11.25.

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MUSICIANS' BENEVOLENT FUND. 18 Ogle Street, London W1P 7LG.

Anthony Eyton, Sir William Coldstream and Claude Rogers, three of the contributing artists, with Rogers's "The Hornby Train", at the Royal Academy's exhibition of modern British painting yesterday.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J. C. Hill and the Hun Rosamund Crowther-Hunt

holicest John Christopher, ridest son of Dr and Mrs R. W. Hill, of 5 Blandford Avenue, Octord, and Reamund Shries, second daughter of Lord and Lany Crowther-Hant, of 14 Appley Rose, Oxford.

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs J. D. Colquinum-Denvers, of Camberra, Australia, and Anne, only daughter of Major and Mrs C. W. Alexander, of West Wittering, Sussex.

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between James William, son of
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John Parker, of Blue Gates, Nayland Road, Colchester, Essex,

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By Annabel Ferriman

A new Act to strengthen a citizen's right to privacy is demanded by the National Council for Civil Liberties in a report to be published next week.

oe-published next week.

The right to see and challenge personal files beld by the government, local authorities, schools and colleges, employers and private organizations is the cornerstone of the council's demands.

Miss Patricia Hewitt, author of the report and the council's general secretary, thinks a new Bill will be introduced next year, because of pressure from the public and from the Council of Europe and the EEC to harmonize standards.

and Miss F. A. Russell. The engagement is announced between Jeremy, only son of Mr and Mrs K. P. Wisker, of Mount Farm, Westow, York, and Felicity, Russell; of Pinfield House, Barnt Mark Gore, of Golders Green, Green, Worcestershire.

New Act to strengthen

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Mr A. Durkin and Miss F. P. Howell The engagement is announced between Anthony, elder son of Mr and Mrs Richard Durkin, of South Shields, co Durham, and Frances Patricia, only daughter of Mr 3nd Mrs J. A. Howell, of Crowthorne, Berksbire.

Mr S. P. Harrison and Miss C. J. Bowes-Smith The engagement is announced between Patrick, younger son of Mr and Mrs B. T. C. Harrison, of Camnor Hill, Oxford, and Caroline, daughter of Mr and Mrs W. A. Bowes-Smith, of Beckenham, Kent.

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Marriages

Captain D. Meintosh and Lady Strathcona

The marriage took place quiety in Edinburgh on Thursday. September 22, of Captain Duncan McIntosh, of 6 Crawford Drive, Releasburgh, Dunbarton-hire, and Lady Strathcota.

The Hon N. W. Berry and Mrs E. Prouvost

The marriage took place querty in Paris yesterday of the Hon Nicholas Berry, on of Lord and Lady Hartwell, and Mrs Evelyne Prouvost, daughter of the late M Jacques Prouvost and of the Countess de la Rozière.

Soirée

Action Research for the Crippled Child

Fairyland lustre An auction record of £3.160 for a piece of Wedgwood Fairyland

lustre was paid at a sale of English cerannes at Sosheby's Belgravia vesterday, which totalled \$55,215, with only 2.4 per cent unsold. The record price was for a large bowl decorated by Daisy Makerg-Jones, staned with her metals and duted 4,1.23. It was sent for sale by the fluttees of the late Hilla Makerg-Jones, Daisy's sister, and was bought by her daughter, Miss Holiday home by Ann Makeig-Jones.

A sale of English and foreign silver and plate at Sotheby's yesterday, realized 236,401. A William IV Irish four-piece rea and coffee set, probably by Richard Sawyer, Dublin, 1835, was sold for £1,350 to Hancocks. Georgian crested old English pattern table silver of 122 pieces was sold for \$1,200 to W. Walter, A crested fiddle-thread shell-pattern table silver, comprising 49 pieces dated 1824, was told for £1.150 to C. J. Vander.

In a sale of dolls and toy; at Christies South Kensington, Dolls in Wonderland, a doll museum in Brigluon, paid 53,200 for a nineteenth-century French bisque doll dish Crescent, Bath.

Mr J. A. Ledermann

A "People and Places" soirce, and Dr S. E. Gore

in aid of Action Research for the The engagement is announced Crippled Child, was held at the between Jonathan, only son of Inome of Baron Heneage last Professor and Mrs Walter Ledermann, of Hove, Sussex, and Sarah, only daughter of Mr and Mrs only daughter of Mr and Mrs Mark Gore, of Golders Green, M

Backing the right horse all the time

From Our Veterinary Suzowa

One of the essentials of horse-racing is the process identifica-tion of the runners, although identification is also becoming more important with hunters and other horses, because of their areas other horacs, because of their great rise in value. The top price for a thoroughbred has readinal 19m, while good hunters may cost several in usend pounds, a full-time veteritarian of the Jossey Club, said at the Brinish Veterinary Association's annual conspress at Swatters yeared to the greater care was needed in the afficial flooringtons of horses.

official description of horses; otherwise the Jockey Club might have to take a former line over refusing animals for recing, including those that had found from alroad solely for a race meeting, and possibly limit give reterinations who warm alloans.

and possibly limit the veterinariats who were allowed to describe horses to a panel. He wished to emphasize, however, that inadequate descriptions were often the result of desperience.

Aithough deliberate frauds were known, it was a simple matter to pur on the wrong head collar carrying the horse's name. Mr. Johnston teared that along with lowering standards elsewhere, deception and substitution of horses might become more common.

deception and substitution of horses might become more common.

A further reason for accurate description was that the Ministry of Agriculture care favorable treatment in connerson with disease control to the movement of thoroughbred, between countries, because it relied on the hight control of movement and identification exercised by the Jockey Club.

One of the difficulties was the use of local foreign terms in description certificates, and Mr Johnston pointed out that here is now a standard clossary in 14 language, for that purpose.

Or Benacet, a sensor French teterimerian, has defined the objective of the international code of identification is mixing horses, a tensor french teterimerian but defined the objective of the international code of identification is making horses, immediately recognizable with absolute certainty. That was unfortunately not yet reterrally the case, Mr Johnston said, and it was in the interests of nearly all those concerned with horses that the shortcomings should be rapidly corrected. rapidly corrected.

sea for badly disabled By Our Health Services Correspondent Severely crippled people will now

be able to take a scaside holiday in a home designed for the dis-abled.

The Netley Waterside House, overlooking the Hambie, near Southampton, can accommodate 30 guests, including four having to guests, including four having to rely on machines to breathe.

They can be lettched in a coach adapted for taking people in wheelchairs, with a lift for getting them on aboard. The two-storey building, which has no steps, has a har and a shop, with special lifts and lavatories.

People who need equipment such as ceiling hoists, special beds and breathing machines will be accommodated in a wing designed for them.

'Neighbourliness lost in village estates' By Our Planning Reporter

Planning policies needed to be reviewed as fundamentally in the countryside as they had been in the cities, Mr Christopher Hall, Director of the Council for the Protection of Rural England, said yesterday.

Planning authorities in the countryside had allowed themselves to be bamboozled by a mass of accountants' figures, he told the annual meeting of Cambridgeshire Community Council at Haddenham. One county after another had concentrated new homes, transport, schooling and other facilities on handful of selected "key

wood last night on the occasion of his departure as the Director of Training Execution.

knowledge and consent. No system should be allowed to store information about anyone's politics, religion or sexual activities.

Privacy: The Information Gatherers (NCCL, 185 King's Cross Road, London, WC1X 9DE, £1.25).

Advanced Class
The annual dinner of the Advanced Class the

Latest wills

Besterman, of Thorpe Mandeville. founder and director of the Institut et Musée Voltaire, in Geneva, left £746,932 net. After personal bequests, he left working copies of his own writings to the British Museum Library; his collection of English drawings and old art books to be offered to the Astinolean Museum at half the robate value; and the residue to

opposite result. They have suffered the loss of their indigenous population as young people married and could not find homes, or realized that their

Luncheons

GLC
The Chairman of the Greater
London Council, Mr Lawrence
Bains, was host at a luncheon at
County Hall yesterday in honour
of Prince Majid bin Abdul Azir
al-Saud, Minister of Municipalities
and Rural Affairs, Saudi Arabia.

growth have grown so hig that they are now towns rather than rillages", he said. "Their sense of community and neighbourlost their original communities. of community and neighbour-liness, the very characteristics that made them villages, has been lost in the sprawl of new housing estates swamping the villages' historic core.

lost their original communities. consisting predominantly of families who have been in the village for many years, and they have been replaced by people for whom the village is simply a suburb in green fields."

The sums done by the planning authorities ignored a great many factors, Mr Hall said. Villages produced less crime, fewer probation orders and, probably, fewer demands on the social and which were financial as well as social benefits.

the City of Westminster Chamber of Commerce at the Dorchester hotel yesterday. Mr Alan Grant, chairman, was in the chair.

Dinners

HM Government Mr John Gilbert, Minister of State for Defence, was host at a dinner given by Her Majesty's Govern-ment at Lancaster House last night in bonour of M Jean Marre, Delegue General pour l'Armement, French Ministry of Defence

Paviors' Company The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress, accompanied by Lieut-emant-Colonel and Sheriff A. Colin Cole and Mrs Cole were present at a ladies' dinner of the Paviors' Company held at the Mansion Honse vesterday president. House yesterday evening. The speakers were the Master, Mr R. G. Price, the Lord Mayor, the Upper Warden, Mr R. J. Eaton, and Sir Desmond Heap.

Chartered Insurance Institute The annual dinner of the Chart-Commerce
Mr John Methyen, Director
General of the Confederation of
British Industry, was the guest of
honour at a luncheon given by

ered Insurance Institute was held
at Grosvenor House last night.
The president, Sir Henry Mance,
was in the chair, and the guest
of honour was Sir Eric Faulkner. at Grosvenor House last night. The president, Sir Henry Mance,

death. This loss will be similarly felt by the vast theatre-going public. Style, originality and

taste were his hallmarks and in his long career he designed scores of productions ranging from the classics to the three longest-ever running comedies in London-No Sex Please-We're British, Boeing Boeing and There's A Girl In My Soup. Two days before his death he was assisting with his usual flair and enthusiasm with the theatrical profession's Jubiles Gala Performance at Drury Lone prior to his work on The Dragon Variation-the last of the many sets to be seen in London designed by a greatly loved and already much missed man of the

LT-COL THE HON R. E. B. BEAUMONT

Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon Ralph Edward Blackett Beaumont, CBE, TD, JP, who was Unionist MP for Portsmouth. Central from 1931 to 1945, died on September 18, aged 76. The second son of the First Viscount Allendale, he was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford. He joined the Territorial Army in 1931. He served on the General Staff for three years and from 1942 to 1945 was Parliamentary was rarnamentary rivate Secretary to the Secretary to the Secretary of Smae for War. After the war he played a leading role in rebuilding the Territorial Army

tinguished Russian scientist. died on September 21 at the age of 71. He was a specialist in machine technology.

25 years ago From The Times of Tuesday September 23, 1952 Nixon accused

Senator Nixon, the Republican candidate for the vice-presidency in the United States, has announced that he will make a announced max he will make a broadcast tonight on his "entire personal financial history" since he entered political life. He has chosen this means of replying to the criticism aroused by the disclosure of his acceptance of contributions—said to past \$18.000 contributions—said to total \$18,000
—from supporters to help in
defraying political expenses. According to General Eisenhower's press secretary, about 50 per cent of telegrams received demanded that Mr Nixon should be forced to resign and the other 50 per cent supported him. The Senator himself, who was in Oregon, maintained that all the 500 telemaintained that all the 500 tele-grams he had received were favourable. . . Professionals, taking their line from Mr Taft, see nothing wrong in what Mr Nixon did; they are solidly behind him. The General wobbles inse-curely in between. It is already too late for him to set much bettetoo late for him to get much bene-fit from a decision to get rid of

New bishop chosen

The Very Rev George Henderson, Dean of Argyll and the Isles since 1973, was elected yesterday as the new bishop of the united diocese.

Sir Eric Miller, whose death yesterday at the age of 50 is reported on another page, was until March chairman of the Peachey Property Corporation. He resigned that position in the face of what he described as inwelcome publicity affectcompany, He was succeeded by Lord Mais, a former Lord Mayor of London, in May he was voted off the board of the company completely in a move led by Lord Mais and sup-ported by institutional invest-ors. By that time his affairs

expenses of Sir Harold Wilson's political office, particularly during the 1974 election when he lent the Labour leader private belicopier. Sir Eric always maintained links with the Labour Party, His father was a local councillor. He was at one time treasurer of Socialist International and on the ef Labour Party Properties. He become a figure in the

ceterie of wealthy men who gathered round the centre of Sir Harold Wilson's private office at No. 10, many of whom, including Sir Eric, received bonoors in his resignation list in 1975. There was at the time considerable public, official and policical contraverse about the fact that Sir Eric's and some other names appeared on that list.

At the time of his death there were four writs outstan Fog against Sir Eric person; ils from his former company, seeling the restoration of substantial sums which had allegedly been nusupprepriated. Sin E. in work a director of Fulbam Football Club, in whose fortunes be to s'a a close and knowledgeable interest and in whose fining: took a keen, if unormodes, He leaves a widow. previous marriage ended in

GUSTAVE REESE

Gustave Reese, a leading (1954): these two volumes, both figure in American and world musical scholarship, died in Berkeley, California, on Sep-tember 7. Born in 1899, Reese studied law and music at New York University, where ne taught almost continuously from 1927 until his recent retirement. He also worked for the publishing firms of G. Schirmer and Carl Fischer. He held high office in the American Musi-cological Society (he was a founder member) and in many other learned bodies.

His most important works. known to all students of musical history in the Englishspeaking world, are Music in on his the Middle Ages (1940); and Mediev Music in the Renaissance Music.

did much to provoke the great flowering in musical scholarship on the Renaissance and the Middle Ages in the years, following the Second Wor'd War. Even if they represent more a synthesis of received knowledge than an original view, they are based on a real acquaintance with an extensive corpus of music.

Reese was also a respected and energetic teacher. The esteem in which he was held by other scholars is reflected

of them masterly in their

organization of material and

ir bibliographical precision,

the jestschrift presented to him on his 65th birthday. Aspects of Medieval and Renaissance

JAY HUTCHINSON SCOTT

M. T. writes:

That no reference to the death last week of Jay Hutchinson Scott, the distinguished theatre designer, has appeared in your columns is undoubtedly an oversight. On behalf of his countless colleagues and friends of which I was privileged to be included in both categories for almost twenty years—I would like to emphasize the considerable loss felt within the theatrical profession at his

and held the Territorial Decoration and Bar.

He was a Development Commissioner and a member of the Council on Tribunals and was Vice-Lieutenam of Mont-gomeryshire, 1962-74. In 1987 he gave to his local council a substantial area of land for-merly owned by Lord London-derry so that it could be used for community purposes. He for community purposes. He was made a CBE in 1967.

He married, in 1926, Helena Mary Christine, younger daughter of Brigadier-General Cecil Wray. She died in 1962.

He leaves two sons and a daughter. Mr Ivan Artobolevsky, a dis

Mr Henry John Charles Stevens, company secretary and a director of The Daily Telegraph died on Seutember 22 at the age of 79.

National body to run inland waterways urged

By Michael Baily Transport Correspondent

A national paylgation authority to manage both the commercial and recreational use of Britain's inland waterways is urged on the Government by the Inland Waterways Association today. The association, representing

user and conservation interests, is "totally opposed" to the sugges-tion in the recent White Paper on the water industry that, "pending final decisions, the National Water Authority would manage the waterways". No transfer of any waterways should be made until such decisions have been reached, the according declared reached, the association declares. In a memorandum to the In a memorandum to the Government the association urges the restoration of the public right of navigation (removed by the 1968 Transport Act) and the creation of a national navigation authority with full executive powers and responsibility for all waterways. commercial and recreational, including those of the British Waterways Board, regional water authorities, and independent bodies wishing to be taken over.

his embarrassing running mate. It has already been shown that he does not understand the gravity of the issue. taken over. The White Paper view that individual waterways must be examined in cost-benefit terms is strongly opposed. "We maintain that the waterway system can be

effectively considered only as a whole", the association says.

point charter of fair information practice to be incorporated into the Bill. The charter draws heavily on American experience but includes principles recom-"Lunch at the Trianon for only £5-50?" Surely you mean £15.50?"

No it's not a misprint. You can now have lunch at the Trianon for £5.50. By lunch we mean an appetizer, main course, reet or cheese, coffee, service and VAT. Thue to our usual gourmet traditions, you've enty of imaginative choices on the menu. ndeed, our chef varies it daily. And, of course, ne Trianen overlooks peaceful Lowndes Square. o the atmosphere's most relaxing.



Le Trianon Restaurant

leace and quiet in the heart of Knightsbridge

privacy rights urged mended by the Younger com-mittee in 1972 and the White Paper on privacy.

Paper on privacy.

It suggests that a register of data banks should be set up so that no personal data bank could be kept secret. The register should state the purpose of the data bank, who is responsible for its maintenance, the number of people covered and the type of information contained.

Legal controls should be introduced on the collection of information, it says. The council supports proposals for new criminal offences covering the surreptitious use of surveillance devices and the obtaining of information by deception

demands.

It maintains that the United Kingdom has fallen behind most Western countries in protecting individual privacy. In the United States two measures have opened up some files held by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Intelligence Agency. The charter demands that In-formation collected should be re-levant an othe minimum needed an dthat information given for one purpose should not be used for another without the individual's knowledge and consent. No sys-tem should be allowed to store

The report presses for a 10-moint charter of fair information

Dr Theodore Deodatus Nathaniel

" For the villages not selected for growth there has been an

Service dinners HMS Collingwood HMS Collingwood Captain R. H. Parsons, RN, was guest of honour at a dinner held in the wardroom of HMS Colling-

Advanced Class

Other estate, include (net, before tax paid; tax not disclosed):
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Taylor, Mr Edward Richardson, of
Cheam, intestate ... £473,408
Thomson, Lady, of Spelsbury, wife
of Sir John Thomson .. £202,229

Master Mariners' Company
The Lord Mayor of Westminster
was the principal guest and
speaker at a luncheon given by
the Master Mariners' Company on
board HQS Wellington yesterday.
The Master, Captain J. E. Bury,
presided. Other guests included
Lord Astor of Hever, the Master
of the Tallow Chandlers' Company and Mr S. R. M. Wade,

Lloyd's Register of Shipping Mr R. A. Huskisson, Chairman of Lloyd's Register of Shipping, members of the general committee and senior staff yesterday enter-tanted at luncheon at the society's headquarters in Fenchurch Street:

City of Westminster Chamber of

Science report

Oceanography: Manganese nodules in the sea

It has often been suggested that it would be economically worth while to collect the lumps of manganese that are known to litter parts of the occan floor, but, before that can be taken seriously, it is essential to know where the manganese comes from in the first place. The first direct measurements of the concentration of manganese in the waters at the bottom of the occan have just bottom of the occan have just been reported and the results show that the manganese is being forced up from inside the Earth's crust. up from inside the Earth's Crust.
Manganese is a vital ingredient
in the manufacture of steel and
there is no effective substitute for
it. On land, suitable ores that contain a significant proportion of
manganese are found in the Soviet
Union, India and purts of Africa:
but it has been known for a
hundred years now that lumps of hundred years now that lumps of material known as manganese nodules, which contain significant amounts of many important metals, are present in great profusion owner and a prosecution of the ball fusion over vast areas of the beds of the deep oceans.

These nodules are usually a few ject. Far better to mine the nebes in diameter, but sometimes manganese on the more accessible each enormous sizes; some land in those circumstances. inches in diameter, but sometimes reach enormous sizes; some weighing hundreds of pounds have been dredged up. Their structure is rather like an onion: layers of manganese and a variety of minerals are deposited from the seawater around a suitable piece of material, a peoble perhaps, or even a shark's tooth.

There are thousands of millions of tons of useful minerals present in sea water, but at such low concentration that it is not economically worthwhile to extract them. In a sense, however, the formation of the manever, the formation of the man-gamese nodules has done the extraction for us. Rather slowly though: the growth rate of the nodules is measured in terms of millimetres a thousand years.

ject and if the mangarese being swept into the sea by rivers it would be a rather stupid pro-

A gigantic vacuum cleaner can be envisaged that could suck up nodules from the ocean bed. But that would be an expensive pro-

However, it has long been sus-pected that the minerals are somehow being produced beneath the oceans and they reach land by volcanic processes occurring when the ocean crust collides with, and is forced under, the

continental land masses. If that

was true it would be sensible to consider extracting the minerals from the ocean bed. The recent results show that that is true: the source of the minerals is near the ocean floor. Much more needs to be known about their extent and rate of production however before the economics of mining them can be worked out properly.

The measurements were made up by Dr G. Khirkhammer and Dr M. Bender of the School of Oceanography at Rhode Island University, and Dr R. F. Weiss, of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, California. They collected samples of water, from

a mile and a half below the surface of the ocean, in the region of the Galapagus Rift, where newly formed oceanic crust is weiling up from the interior of the Earth. Analysis of these samples showed a large proportion of manganese, and the amount increased as the depth increased. Similar analyses away from the rift in the ocean floor showed no variation in the small amount of manganese with depth.

Those results show that man-

gonese, and presumably other minerals, are being injected into the deep see near to the cracks in the ocean floor. The mechanism is thought to be vast convection currents of seawater that circulate beneath the ocean crust and sweep up minerals into the sea in the region of the rift.

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Stock Exchange Prices

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Share prices hit again by poor company profits, but gilts soar

Share prices fell sharply agon on the London stock marker yesterday as another barch of disappointing company profits reinforced investors' doubts about the health of sections of British industry.

The FT 30-Share Index slumped another 14.5 points to close at 505.5. More than half the loss occurred late in the day, some large lines of stock coming on offer as investors considered the implications of disappointing figures from Dundley and Vickers.

lop and Vickers.
Since the all-time peak achieved on Wednesday of last week, the index has now dropped more than 44 points, or around 8 per cent. While many dealers have been surprised at the speed of the fall, most remain undismayed at its extent feeling that a total reextent, feeling that a total re-gation of 10 per cent from the peak would not be unreason-

With the market rising so fast to its highest level a reaction was inevitable. But what has introduced an unpredict-able element into the decline and hastened it—has been the succession of below-par company profits running counter to general market assumptions about the bealth of the eco-

In contrast government stocks had another strong session with long dates supported by a good foreign demand, especially from the United States, and

Long-dated yields are prov-ing a strong attraction and some dealers were talking in

terms of a notal United States demand worth £100m over the last two days. While the long end of the gilt marker moved strongly higher yesterday, this week's setback in short dated stocks left the new Treasury 81, per cent 1982 stock high and dry. Applications for the £800m of stock on offer are hearth.

stock on offer are thought to have been no more than light and all applications were allo-cated in full. cated in full.
Dunlop disappointing: Dunlop's shares fell by 9p to 98p yesterday after the company reported disappointing half year profit figures. These showed an increase before tax from £30.3m to £31.6m, which, even after allowing for the exclusion this year of the group's Rhodesian interests, were well below stock market expectations. market expectations.

Vickers shares plunge: Shares of Vickers also plunged, falling 21p to 204p yesterday after the group announced a £2m in-crease in pre-tax profits to £16.6m in the first half of the

year.
The figure includes £7.6m representing Vickers' shares of the profits from British Aircraft Corporation before nationalization. The group has yet to obtain details of Govern-ment compensation terms in respect of the state takeover. Financial Editor, page 19

Tarmac chief goes by mutual agreement

In a joint statement yester day Mr Robin Martin, chairman and assistant chief executive of Tarmac, the roadstone Abbott, chairman of Drake & Scull, said that at present neither company is considering legal action against the other. A working committee, company oard today.

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f the half-year results. Tarmac's expected losses
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Tarmac announced last week

that it is withholding payment of between £1.5m and £2m to Drake & Scull Holdings, the

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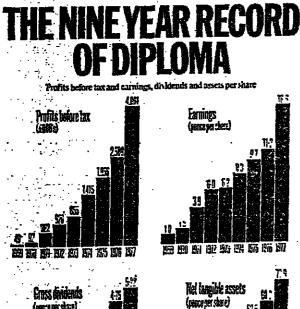
West Germany's visible trade urplus increased sharply last onth to just over DM2,500m :625m), but after taking into count the country's deficit on visibles and transfer payents abroad the current secount balance of payments showed a substantial -ficir.

According to figures released the Federal Statistics Office Wiesbaden today, German Wiesbaden today, German ports in August amounted to M20,926m while imports talled DM18,404m, resulting a visible trade surplus of M25.72m

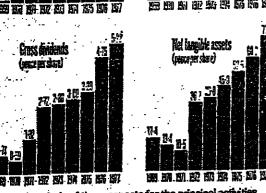
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Fairey is negotiating with the Belgian Government to dispose of its contract for building the of its contract for building the American F16 fighter aircraft at Charlerol. There have been costly delays in completing the prootype and Fairey's already heavy investment would need to be supplemented by at least a further 16m, a spokesman for the group estimated vester. for the group estimated yester-



ment.



"An analysis of the prospects for the principal activities within the Group continues to provide cause for optimism as we mostly operate in sectors where excellent long term growth opportunities exist."

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NEB gives Rolls a £20m stimulus

By Peter Hill, Industrial Correspondent Rolls-Royce has received a \$20m cash injection from the National Enterprise Board, and a further tranche of financial aid is likely to be made by the Board to the aero-engine company before the end

of the year.
This latest cash transfusion to Rolls has been made in the form of loan and share capital and follows detailed negotiations between the company, the NEB and the Department of Industry on its five-year

corporate plan.

The board took over the Government's shareholding in Rolls in February 1976 and since then has been deeply involved in extensive negotiations with the company on its forward planning and in particular on the scale of research and development

of new aero engines.

Annual research and development expenditure by Rolls has been running at about £50m a year and the NEB, under the chairmanship of Lord Ryder, who retired level of spending was adequate to ensure the future soundness of the company. Rolls is working on the developing of

RE211 engines, first to a thrust power of 50,000 pounds and then to one of 32,000 pounds. These two developments form the main design work by the company for this year and possibly for the next two and a half years. The NEB has based its further funding of

the Rolls engine on the details of the corporate plan which has still to be completed. But the Department of Industry has apparently approved the plan pending settlement of the final details. Like other leading aero-engine manufacturers the company is faced with a lack of orders from air-lines; but the NEB is confident that the company will become highly profitable in

In the last set of accounts Rolls said that increased research and development

Redfearn bids referred

to monopolies panel

spending of £57.2m was the chief reason for the fall in profitability from a pretax profit of £4.5m in 1975 to a loss before tax of £21m last year. It is expected that spending will continue at about 550m, although the NEB is apparently concerned to establish whether this is sufficient to ensure that Rolls is able to maintain its position when the new generation of engines is required.

Under the present five-year corporate plan the company is expected to achieve profitability. In its report earlier this week the Public Accounts Committee expressed concern that the Department of Industry had failed to agree on a corporate plan since the company's establishment in May,

The committee recommended that the financial objectives set for the company should provide for profits to rise to a fully economic level so that the need for further injections of public money would

Green Shield trims work force and cuts redemption shops by 18

High Court

sanctions

scheme for

Cavenham

voting position of value.

so, then there were no grounds for criticism. He added that he expressed "no concluded

expressed "no concluded adverse view" on the propriety

The GO group, headed by Sir James Goldsmith, now holds nearly 79 million of Cavenham's 104.6 million issued ordinary

capitalization whereby every three ordinary shares become

It was overwhelmingly sup-

ported by the class meetings.

but was opposed in court by an

The judge said: "I have not previously encountered a scheme which coverts ordinary

shares into non-participating preference shares with no cash

An informed ordinary share-

holder might reasonably vote in favour of the scheme, having

regard to the minority position into which the class had fallen,

the judge ruled. He therefore sanctioned the scheme.

four £1 preference shares.

ordinary shareholder, Christopher Sills.

alternative available."

of the offer.

A scheme of arrangement for

A scheme of arrangement for the conversion of the publicly owned ordinary shazes in Cavenham into fixed-interest preference shares was sanctumed yesterday by a High Court judge—but with "personal misgivings" about the absence of a cash alternative for shareholders.

Mr Justice Brightman also questioned the propriety of an By Derek Harris Commercial Editor Green Shield, affected by revenue losses since Tesco, the company's biggest customer, dropped trading stamps last June, last night amounced a major shake-up in the organiza-tion involving management and gift shop closures that cut 261 full-time jobs and 287 part-

Mr Justice Brightman also questioned the propriety of an offer made earlier this year hy the French company, Générale Occidentale, and its subsidiaries in purchase half the public ordinary shares in Cavenham at 11.55 each.

The offer was accepted, increasing GO's ordinary shareholding in Cavenham to just over 75 per cent and forcing the public shareholders into a minority position. Mr Tom McAuliffe, who has been joint managing director with Mr Joe Phillips of the with Mr Joe Phillips of the successful associate company operation of Argos, the catalogue showroom chain, is being switched to become chief executive and joint managing director of Green Shield.

Mr Richard Tompkins, chairman of Green Shield which is still a prigate company and minority position.

The judge said: "I don't know whether it was appreciated by the ordinary shareholders that an offer of that sort could lose for the class a

still a private company, said last night that Tesco's dropping stumps had changed the geographical spread of the business. As a result, on voting position of value.

"It is perhaps a matter for consideration whether a partial offer for a class of shares is commercially proper if the side effect is to deprive the class of its voting muscle—unless this is clearly spelt out."

It might have been spelt out to shareholders in this case, the judge said, and if that was so then there were no grounds

Lotus in £2m

By Our Financial Staff
Group Lotus, the Norwichbased specialist car group, has
rearranged its substantial shortterm borrowings by means of
a £2m term loan from American
Express International Banking.
Lotus, kild low by the collapse of the specialist car
market after the 1973 oil crisis,
said that the restructuring of
its financial facilities would
enable it to increase produc-

enable it to increase produc-tion to meet demand for the Esprit, especially in the United

The group is producing around 120 cars a month and

sales have been given a con-siderable lift recently with one of its specially-equipped models

In addition to the five-year

loan, Amex has made available overdraft facilities of £600,000,

but the terms of the loan in

clude the stipulation that Amex

must agree to any capital pro-ject. As an integral part of the

deal. Amex has been given an option to subscribe for ordinary

shares in Lotus.
Financial Editor, page 19 back with a new partial offer.

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By Our Financial Staff

shops would close, with 16 new ones opening elsewhere, a net loss of 18 out of Green Shield's gift shop chain of 89.

In addition to staff directly attented by the shop closures

affected by the shop closures. some of whom it is hoped could be offered alternative jobs in associate companies, a "small number" of staff would be affected at Green Shield's headquarters

orth London.

Green Saield earlier made 96
out of its 600 head office staff
redundant, together with some warehousing staff.

Since then, this year's potential loss of around £17m because of the loss of 700 Tesco franchises has only been partly offset by the signing up of other retail outlets. Turnover this year is expected to be £7m this year is expected to be £7m down at £70m.

A number of major petrol is taking up "other responsiretailing chains have also biliries in the group.

By Bryan Appleyard

whether to fight on.

The battle for control of Red-

fearn National Glass has been

called off for up to six months by a reference to the Mono-polies Commission and both bidders have to decide now

Rheem International's 300p

per share partial offer and the Rockware Group's 320p per share full offer have been

referred to the commission.

This means they both lapse and, as a result, the Rediearn share price immediately dropped 40p

to 260p. Rockware slipped 2p to

Rheem made the first move by lapsing its all-cash offer the

moment the first rumours of the reference were heard. The offer

was due to close today anyway

but the reference came faster than anybody had expected.

ceived by Rheem in respect of

fewer than 154,000 shares, 2.5 per cent of the equity, and the company said it was now con-

sidering further action, but the Takeover Panel has already

Acceptances had been re-

dropped Green Shield stamps involving around 300 filling sta-tions. But Green Shield last night claimed no loss on the petrol station side because of new outlets signed up.

As part of the belt-tightening operation, earlier this month the company announced its withdrawal at the beginning of next year from sponsorship of tennis, swimming and hockey, Mr Tompkins emphasized that Green Shield had group capital and reserves of more than £30m with which to back

its "positive steps to put more power into Green Shield." Mr McAuliffe has left Argos on "leave of absence" basis Mr Peter Pugsley continues as joint managing director of Green Shield. Mr Richard Goodman, who was joint mana-

A nanel spokesman said last

night that a partial offer com-

peting with a full offer would

create too much confusion. A further full offer from Rheem, however, would be possible as

it is a competitive situation and

the normal twelve-month rule

after a final offer would be

Mr Jim Craigie, chairman of lockware, said his board would

now have to consider whether

to pursue the matter as com-

mission references were time-consuming and expensive. But

he did say that he had a "gut feeling" that Rockware should

Mr John Pratt, Redfearn managing director, said his company had applied for a monopolies reference on the

Rheem bid a month ago, and as

far as he was concerned the news was long overdue.

The Office of Fair Trading said the reference had been

made because the issue was in the public interest and the fact

that assets being acquired came to more than 55m brought both bids within the commission's frame of reference.

Iran may **sway** reactor choice

From Roger Vielvoye Istanbul, Sept 22

Iran has added a new dimension to the debate within Whitehall over the next generation of nuclear reactors to be built by Britain's Nuclear Power Company by telling the United Kingdom Government that a decision to back American-designed pressurized water reactors (PWRs) could lead to an order for NPC to build an 800 megawart PWR in Iran.

Mr Wedgwood Benn, the Secretary of State for Energy, is due to announce the new policy on thermal reactors next month. He has to decide whether NPC should embark on an updated version of the advanced gas-cooled reactor (AGR) or switch to the West-inghouse PWR design as a replacement for the ill-fated steam generating heavy water reactor (SGHWR), which has never gone beyond the design

stage. A contract from Iran would be the first nuclear power station order from overseas since the Italians bought a Magnox station in the early days of the commercial indus-

Iranian interest also tends to reinforce the argument of PWR supporters that the Nuclear Power Company only has a chance of winning overseas orders if it builds PWRs.

The AGR has been ruled our of the export market because of the high degree of onsite fabrication it involves compared with the large amount of prefabrication in the PWR

An order from Iran would, of course, be subject to NPC's meeting all the normal commercial tendering requirements, but it would not necessarily depend on the company's winning a firm order for a PWR on the home market. A commitment from the Gov-

ernment that PWRs would be built in Britain as part of a future nuclear programme would be enough to ensure that it was given the chance to

Inducing in Llovd's a wisdom of owls

Owls, being wise old birds, presumably always knew that they were animals. Not so Lloyd's which has only just become a convert to a view which was yield held aren in which was widely held even in ancient Greece. Aristotle never doubted that an owl was an animal.

It was Mr Peter Owen of Bramfield, near Hertford, who discovered — to his cost — the extent of Lloyd's ignorance. Two owis dropped dawn his sitting room chimney, one dead, the other alive, active and year, were dead with a contract of the very, very dirty and with a panic-induced propensity to knock down every ornament in sight, most of which got broken. But when Mr Owen claimed under his householders insur-ance policy at Lloyd's to recover the damage, he dis-covered this disinclination on the part of Lloyd's to believe that owls were animals. Had it

been a mere matter of pedantry, maybe Mr Owen would have shrugged his shoulders. But more was at stake. In refuting the claim Lloyd's rold Mr Owen that he was insured only for impact by vehicle or animal and that as an owl was not an animal the claim could not be met. He was, however, offered an ex gratia settlement of less than half the

settlement of less than half the claim; as a result, more than owls' feathers flew.

Mr Owen felt obliged to warn our readers, who might be expected to have valuable collections of porcelain or pottery, to have their household policies amended to include cover against not only owls but pigeons, starlings or any other feathered invader.

feathered invader.
Within days the advice began to pour in. Advice on all sorts of topics, ranging from how to cope with bats in the belfry (you use owls, real, or as a later reader suggested stuffed, just to prove that the subject was not entirely irrelevant) to how to obtain good insurance advice before taking out a policy.
But the most damning letters

-at least as far as Lloyd's were concerned-were those which, with great erudition, amply proved that owls are animals, no shadow of a doubt.

In fact it transpires there is
even a book called "Birds as
Animals" by James Fisher (sic) which, when it was published in 1939, carried a foreword by Sir Julian Huxley which offers, as it happens, an interesting interpretation of how Lloyd's ended up with egg on its face. Sir Julian wrote: "Birds, after all, are animals, although some enthusiastic birdwatchers would seem to consider them unique beings constituting an organic kingdom in their own right—although that implies a sympathetic understanding— even liking of birds which Lloyd's failed to demonstrate.

Armed with this information and a letter from the Royal Veterinary College, who also know about these things, Mr Owen again broached Lloyd's. This time, the claim has been settled in full (see Business Letters, page 18).

Margaret Stone

Japanese deny forcing yen down

By Caroline Atkinson
In reply to an attack by
Representative Henry Reuss,
the influential chairman of the United States House of Representatives banking committee, Japanese officials yesterday denied that the yen was being artificially held down to gain

export advantages.

Mr Reuss cccused the Japanese on Wednesday of intervening in the exchange markets to stop the yen from rising too high against the dollar and other currencies. It now stands at 266.75 against the dollar, compared with a high of 263.20 in July

Bank Base Rates Table

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pledge, made last year to the intervention United States Treasury to stop exchange ma pegging the rate. At a press conference held yesterday in Japan, officials

said the charges were not worth refuting in detail as they were of little importance to the markets.

Mr Teitchiso Morinaga, the Governor of the Bank of Japan, said the recent calm on the foreign exchange markets had been due to a balancing of the factors which influence the outlook for the you.

competitiveness will probably be discussed at next annual meeting of the Inter-national Monetary Fund. Mr Reuss said he hoped that the IMP would discuss problems as well as platitudes. His outburst is an indication the strong resentment felt

in America against Japanese trade practices. It is also a measure of the increasing tension within the industrialized world as a result of the sluggish growth in world rade and output.
The failure of the Germans

and Japanese to reduce their huge 1. and surpluses by reflationary measures at home was partly responsible for the American decision to allow a

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would not back foreign Leyland strike' exchange markets to maintain British Leyland's 4,000 electricians want nothing to do

Electricians

their pay.

A statement issued yesterday by the Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunications, and Plumbing Union makes it clear they will not support the tool-makers, who are threatening an all-out strike from October 28. The electricians believe that

any attempt to resolve problems be industrial action "would by industrial action "would jeopardize the future of Leyland Cars". Their reaction follows a plea for samity by all sides at British Leyland by Mr Leslie Murphy, chairman of the National Enter-

prise Board. The EEPTU statement is supported by the union's shop stewards in Leyland and its executive.

The union says that the company's offer on wage structure and negotiating reform, already rejected by Transport and General Workers' Union shop stewards, "represents the best possible framework within which to solve the industrial relations problems at Leyland

Mr Roy Sanderson, EEPTU national engineering officer, said: "We sympathize with the toolmakers' aim of getting a better deal, but it would destroy Leyland Cars if we tried to resolve these problems by tak-ing industrial action." R. W. Shakespeare writes: The

week old strike by 9,000 workers at British Leyland's five bus and truck factories in Lancashire is to continue into next week. A meeting of workers at the plants yesterday voted in favour of continuing the stoppage in support of their pay demands. Hopes of any progress on the

dispute now rest on a meeting arranged for Monday, which will be attended by national officials of the unions, shop ment.

Rover output in danger





Interim statements:

Anglo American Corporation

EEC and Americans agree on plan Rise in stockbuilding to achieve 44 pc cut in tariffs

From Michael Hornsby

Brussels, Sept 22
A United States delegation led by Mr Robert Strauss, President Carter's special trade representative, and the European community have evolved "a joint working hypothesis" which, both sides claimed here today, could clear the way for a formula for reducing tariffs at the multilateral trade negotiations in Geneva.

According to Mr Strauss, who had talks today with Mr Roy Jenkins, president of the European Commission, the hypothesis looks for an average tariff has urged cuts should be recut of 44 per cent coupled with lated to the height of individual some barmonization of tariff tariffs.

The damaging shopfloor conflict at Leviand Cars between Britain's two biggest unions,

the Amalgamated Union of En-

gineering Workers and the Transport and General Wor-

kers, is threatening production at the group's Rover plant at

Engineering shop stewards

vesterday accused management of giving preference in its

latest recruitment drive to members of the TGWU and

plans co stage two-day guerrilla

strikes from October 1 until "the company introduces a fair

and equitable policy of recruit-

Later in the day, after talks with other unions and manage-

postpone strike action while

further discussions take place.

But Mr Desmond Simcox, the

put off for much longer.

He said discrimination in favour of TGWU members was

so blatant that engineering members seeking employment

had not even been allowed to

expansionism, American uni-

lateralism, and third world nationalism was taken by Mr

Ronnie Swayne, chairman of

Overseas Containers consortium, in Bremen yesterday.

The main area of contention

the Land-Rover and Range seed drills.

fill in application forms.

"We are not going to

ment, the engineers agreed

Solibull.

Rover output threatened

by union rift at Leyland

as a reference point in negotia-

EEC officials were more reticent and would not confirm the aim of a 44 per cent average reduction. They said the bypothesis was still subject to approval by the EEC's nine member governments. Hitherto there has been a

wide gap between the EEC and the United States in approaches to tariff cuts. The Americans have been arguing for an across-the-board cut of 60 per cent in all industrial tariffs

rvels. The joint communique issued Mr Strauss emphasized that after today's discussions says no one was committed to the that there is no "agreement hypothesis but it was to serve that means must be found of

Rover, together with moves to

increase output of Rover cars,

has brought pressure from the engineers for a bigger share of

thousands of jobs being created. This increasingly bitter battle

between the two unions high-lights how difficult a task Ley-

land faces in trying to win union backing for its pay and

industrial relations reforms.

The differences are also influ-

encing local conflicts within Leyland. Throughout this year

skilled workers, such as the 3,000 toolmakers now threaten-

ing another all-out strike, have

campaigned for the restoration

unskilled workers. Until this week they did so

without making specific reference to the root cause—the

larger wage increases won by the TGWU, which represents

the semi and unskilled workers. Now that the real issue is

out, many old wounds are be-

Expansion programme: Ley land Special Prodets, one of the more profitable parts of the

state-owned company, yesterday announced the second phase of

a film expansion and moderni-zation programme for Barfords

OCL chief 'hopeful' on shipping problems

By Michael Baily

A hopeful view of the problems facing Brirish and world lems facing Brirish an

confrontation", he said at the

launching of a container ship for the New Zealand trade.

He believed the will and

ing reopened.

is the assembly tracks, which and programme for Barfords are traditional TGWU strong of Belton, Lincolnshire. It holds in car plants. Leyland's will double production of the

recent announcement of a company's dump trucks, con-5250m pian to double output of crete mixers and agricultural

pay differentials between emselves and semi-skilled and

confirms low demand

By Caroline Atkinson Industry's stockbuilding was

achieving a substaniel tariff re-

On the delicate subject of agricultural tariffs, Mr Strauss

said these would be negociated

in parallel with and substan-tial relationship to industrial

tariffs", but the system of vari-

abl levies employed under the

EEC's common agricultural policy would not be included. Both sides today "agreed to

search for mechanisms which

would permit progress towards long-term trade liberalization in stages which would take full

account of current economic and political difficulties".

This is taken as recognition of the need to phase tariff cuts

over possibly as long as 10 years because of the economic

difficulties facing many coun-

Offshore

insurance

may go up

Marine underwriters expect

legislation to be introduced that

will incorporate a requirement

for the offshore, industry to show a financial responsibility,

probably through insurance, as

a requisite for exploitation of

The sum of \$75m (£44m) per

installation is not an unlikely figure. This was revealed today during the annual conference of the International Union of

The offshore industry's need to protect itself from catastro-

ptic loss had been emphasized by the "Bravo" rig blow out in the Ekofisk field, the union's pollution committee said, and

the worldwide attention given

to the accident served to

weaken the industry's past suc-

cesses in avoiding legislated liabilines. Hence it was not unreasonable to expect new

Another aspect of pollution laws was lakely to be the exposure to losses growing out of

States with an interest in

vided they could see their

differences were small com-pared with the common

intervention authority

From Denzii Stuart

Montreux, Sept 22

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Marine Insurance.

duction and harmonization".

even larger in the first half of than originally estimated. Much is thought to have been involuntary, as sales did not pick up as much as companies expected, and actually fell earlier in the year. Revised estimates for stockbuilding in the second quarter put the total at £176m and for the first quarter at £278m.

Other figures published yesterday by the Department of Lodustry confirmed the estimates of a provisional mild recovery in investment in the April to June period after the unexpected fall in the first three months of the

Manufacturing industry is estimated to have spent £428m (at 1970 prices) on fixed investment in the second quarter of the year. Officials still expect a substantial upturn in capital spending in the second traif of this year, followed by stronger rises in 1978.

CAPITAL SPENDING The following are the figures published yesterday by the Department of Industry for the

fixed capital expenditure of manufacturing, distributing, service and shipping industries and for the stocks all seasonally adjusted at 1970 prices :

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	Total	Mftg	Stocks
1975	4,120	1,745	-605
1976	3,836	1,859	. 37.
1975 Q1	1,090	472	98
Q2	1,054	446	186
Q3	1,014	420	-218
. Q4	961	407	103
1976 Q1	940	.405	59
Q2	923	407	131
· Q3	1,001	421	28
. Q4	972	426.	· 81
1977 Q1	. 99 6	419	· · 278
Q2	.989	428	176

Investment is still so depressed, however, that even with considerable increases in the next year it will remain low by historical standards.

Machine tool orders up £40m in second quarter

Edward Townsend British machine tool makers are continuing to experience the steady climb out of recession that began a year ago.

Latest official figures show the value of new orders up by almost 50 per cent on last

Industry, reports today that new orders in the second quarter were worth £120.6m against £80.6m a year earlier, with

home orders up by a healthy
64 per cent and export orders
by 24 per cent.
This will please the 69
United Kingdom machine tool
companies taking part in the
European Machine Tool Exhibition in Hanover. The rate of

increase in export sales and orders has lagged behind that of home business, and the United Kingdom salesmen will be looking for some big orders to sustain the upward trend. Export orders in hand at the end of June increased by 14 per cent against 30 per cent on the home market. In terms of present activity, home orders in hand represented about seven months' deliveries, and export order books could sustain over-

seas sales for eight months.
Orders in the three months to June were running at 25 per cent above sales, with the result that order books have continued to increase. Total orders on hand at the end of June stood

Reduction in steel stocks

By Peter Hill Industrial Correspondent

Steel consumers and stockists have reduced their stocks in the past few months, but steel makers in the private sector and in the British Steel Corporation do not regard the de-stocking as the start of a significant improvement in

The BSC is at present involved in detailed negotiations over planned reductions in operating levels which, if they can be carried through, will involve thousands of workers being placed on shorttime and being asked to accept voluntary redundancy. The corporation, which this year is facing a loss of some

£250m, has embarked on a big cost reduction programme. In the second quarter of this

year consumers' stocks fell by 3 per cent and those held by stockholders were reduced by 6 per cent compared with the levels held at the end of March. The reduction took place across practically the whole product range, with the largest de-stocking taking place in sheet steel, which fell by 11

per cent, reflecting a considerable reduction in stocks held by the shipbuilding industry. According to the Department of Industry, consumption of finished steel in the April to June period was estim 3.76 million tormes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Engineering graduates: a shortage of data

Sir, The analysis by correspondent R. Taylor (September 19) on the intended employment of engineering students at Imperial College is a welcome move towards sathering objective data on this important subject. So far as it goes, it confirms the surveys of salaries and types of employment carried out in the two years by the Institution of Electrical Engineers, among its members. These staveys deal with actual employment rather than intentions; they also analyse by age, by nature of

work by income and to some extent by qualification.

Nevertheless, these and many other reports on the subject fail to tackle a number of important points and debate on the subject has yet to reach a meaningful level.

Do salaries reflect ability or even the market price? What is the distribution of engineers.

by ability? Does class of degree reflect ability or indicate the presence of appro-priate skills? What skills are appropriate and do we have a social and educational system to promote them in the correct

From Mr F. W. Ward

certainly more in the interests

of their prospective passengers) if Lufthansa were to adopt a

code of practice similar to the

requirements under the Denied Boarding Procedure which applies in the case of flights

from the United Kingdom (and,

Redwood Avenue, Wollaton, Nottinghan proportions? Nottingham, No. In industry, is the blend of September 19. Problem of the air traveller

delayed by overbooking on Lufthansa flights on which they are holding confirmed Sir, May I refer to the item in the Business Diary on September 20. Although I do Indeed, the sample obrase in not question your commenda-tion of Lufthansa's enterprise in providing more in-flight entertainment, it would be even more commendable (and

whatsoever. Yours sincerely, D. J. RHODES,

Lufthansa's recorded language lesson "Can you tell me how to get to the main railway station?" is ironic indeed when—as I know from a recent official visit to Germany one's return to the United Kingdom is delayed for 24 hours because of overbooking on the part of Lufthansa. Such en experience is hardly Happy ending it an encouragement to "fly Lufthansa"; and the moral of it all is "fly British" where-

formance is due to a lack of analytical skills among middle

and top management and that pay and other rewards are not conducive to any improvement

indeed, there are similar arrangements in the case of ver possible. flights to and from the United F. W. WARD, Town Clerk and Chief Executive,

States).
This at least would offer some compensation to passen-gers who are delayed because they canoor be accommodated Grimsby Borough Countil, Town Hall Square, South Humberside, Grimsby,

Ford expansion in London

From Mr Anthony Perry Sir, At the risk of prolonging the correspondence, surely the GLC cannot hope for any further Ford expansion in London until we have a Labour Government with a Prime Minister representing a London constituency.

Look at the record: two major Ford expansions in

rezent years, Halewod adjoin-ing Huyton-with-Roby-Sir Harold Wilson's constituencyand now Bridgend adjoining Mr Callaghan's or am I imagining things? Yours faithfully, ANTHONY PERRY, Barnet Hertfordshire EN5 5LQ.

Savers and the building

THE F

societies entrepreneurial engineer, design From Mr.C. F. Winterson Sir. The article about build; societies by Margaret Sir. (September 21) was excelled and drew assention to engineer, production controller, technician and skilled operator appropriate to both our economic survival and social and drew attention to needs? Is the demand for plight of the survestors—the majoraty elderly and old pen these types as defined by our whose hard earned savings current captains of industry correct? How do their opinions usually in building societies compare with practice in other

Reduction in mortgage in est is pressured upon build Until objective data are assembled and debated around these issues I am inclined to societies by the Government political propaganda. Not of does the Government get in for reduction in mortgage in continue in my subjective belief, based on limited but real est, but also includes personal experiences, that the training and education of our centage reduction in their in tion statistics, giving a be picture of inflation. I furthermore, draws moneya-from building societies most best graduates is inadequate, that there is a near disastrous shortage of technicians and skilled workers, that graduates ernment securities, as already happened with should be employed more widely in small companies and in roles such as production control, that poor delivery perbanks.

Yours faithfully, C. F. WINTERSON, Mynthurst. 43 Bath Road. Sussex.

Tax value of a work of art From Mr G. Corderous,
Sir, Lord Correspond
(September 17) Fin

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United Oxford and Camba University Club, 71 Pall Mall, London, SW1Y 5HD. September 17.

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From Mr Peter Owen
Sir, I would like, if I may
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advice I received, incliniterror from the Royal Very letter from the Royal Vere ary College, I wrote again our Insurers and am deliga-to report that the claim on Lloyd's Householders Police now been settled in full.

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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

No help from Dunlop

American investors caught up with the Wall Street/London long-term interest rate diflecential yesterday and were apparently heavy buyers of long gilts. This, coupled with British buyers switching their attention back from equities to gitts, pushed long-dated stocks up by nearly £2. Equities still burdened by poor results from leaders— Dunlop and Vickers provided the disappoint-

ment yesterday—fell sharply again.
It seems a very long time since the market set a new record 10 days ago, and the FT index has shed nearly 50 points now. Equines should now be a seem only 50 points. ties should now be approaching a point at which they can consolidate, and one might expect prices to pick up during the next week or so. But the mood of the marker will he more cautions after this shake out



mancially clear in the Single Meanwhile. Dunlop, under the chairman-schequer ought to tax, but accept the work of art, then the are harder than usual to make. But the message is clear enough. Profits in the first sage is clear enough. Profits in the first half of £31.6m against an adjusted £30.3m are frankly disappointing after the encouraging comments in the recent rights issue nited Oxford and Car niversity Club, Pall Mall, document, and the forecast of second half profits only "moderately" better than the first half suggests Dunlop will have difficulty matching last year's second half. So full year profits are unlikely to be much Tappy ending more than £68m, broadly in line with last year allowing for the exclusion of Rhodesia.

Results like these-up to £20m less than om My Peter Oren jections—could be a serious blow for Dun-1 would like, if 1, lop's share rating which has only recently ank all your readers, recovered from the serbacks of the Pirelli-tally wrote, both to a union debacle in the early seventies. Buyers and to your man had for last been coming into Dunlop on the pally and to your page had at last been coming into Dunlop on the uput shed my lens basis of the excellent results of the past ming damage is in a basis of the excellent results of the past ming damage by an or three years and the hope that this year, too, greatly encouraged by would be good. Indications that this might ter from the Rorel 1 not be so may be unsettling. Dunlop, after College, I wone mail, is only just now emerging from a period insurers and am a of relatively lowly investment, and although tumor that the claim the rights issue should ensure lower gearing aya's Householders he this year, the expansionary phase is starting is been cettled a full at a time when the balance sheet, if not The product of the real strained, is not ideally placed to take on ver he unautrated;

heavy new borrowing.
Unlike some other companies which have reported disappointing results, however, Dunlop's problems are concentrated in one or two areas, notably Germany and France and to a lesser extent India and Nigeria, and are predominantly in the tyre business LEGAI VonoThe swing into loss in France is especially worrying, but the United Kingdom is reasonably buoyant, as are the United States and Malaysia. Even so, at 98p, selling at between Malaysia even times prospective earnings, the I PEE problem again, though an 8.3 per cent pros-

in a supective yield will help stem the tide. Vickers Compensation

TRANSFER BOO problems.

N. ST. 153 A £2m increase in Vickers interim pre-tax has profits to £16.6m was also seen as dispersion of the seen as t about the group's ability to plug the profits about the group's ability to plug the profits about the British Aircraft Corporation (in which Vickers had a half share) and its shipbuilding interests. Just under £8m of the interim profit rep-

CONTRACTS AND Presents the last slice of Vickers' share of profits from BAC, while shipbuilding has with negotiations yet to get underway compensation terms Vickers may not

receive state cash for up to two years, take some sort of view on likely compen-sation before the end of the year. Whatever compensation figure emerges—

estimates range from £40m to as much as

£120m-interest will of course, have accrued since the vesting days. But even assuming the most optimistic forecasts there is a vast gulf between the likely interest payable and the £25m or so annual return that Vickers could expect from its shipbuilding and aircraft interests.

For the moment, then, Vickers' decision is to concentrate on steadily strengthening its remaining interests, and benefits are already showing through in office equip-ment front, while engineering is at least marking time. But meanwhile the shares, down 21p to 204p, could be under pressure.

 By the end of August investment trust was almost a dirty word in the stock market. The sector had risen less than 8 per cent since the start of the year against a rise of some 35 per cent for the market as a whole. Nor was it good enough, moreover, simply to point to the poor performance of Wall Street and the dollar premium for the

Since then, of course, the revival has been no less than phenomenal. But in the Jubilee edition of their investment trust annual, brokers Laing and Cruickshank argue that the sector could still do with a cut of, say, £500nn in size (to around £3,000m) and that the process of merging small trusts should continue. This would, hopefully, create larger und more marketable groups that would attract institutional money to match the steady disinvestment by the personal

Group Lotus

Amex lends

a hand

Specialist car groups the world over have bitten the dust over the past four years as demand in these petrol-conscious days has dropped away and production costs have

While some abroad have managed to shelter under larger car groups, most of the British marques have like Aston Martin stumbled from one crisis to another or like Jensen gone under. Now after three years on the precipice, Group Lotus is taking steps to secure its longer-term financial future by swopping its hefty short-term debts for a fairly restrictive term loan from American



Without this, Lotus's efforts to move more into the volume production it now recognizes is the only route for a small manufacturer would always run up against financial constraints. Thanks mainly to an extraprofit last year but it will still take years to rebuild reserves depleted by earlier visits there they become more losses.

With Lotus stepping up production from last year's 575 cars to around a 1,000 this year, working capital requirements will rise sharply. Short-term borrowings are currently around £11m, equivalent to 75 per cent of shareholders' funds and the group is con-rinually having to look over its shoulder at

Lotus's still precarious position, however, is reflected as much in the stiffish terms of Amex's £2m five-year loan as in the fact that a rights issue was out of the question. Together with interest at 3 per cent over Libor. Amex is insisting that the money is used immediately to repay short-term bor-rowings from its bankers and that any capital project is agreed with it. Luckily, capital spending on its new models is now over the hump and this year will be around £200,000. Lorus has tightened up its financial controls considerably since the trouble it got into three years ago but at 35p with no dividend the shares will need all of James Bond's belp.

about with cars, railways, oil tankers, nircraft, spacecrair, Big Ben, and other items non-A world master patent on the use of Fedraliny steels is cata-list supports is held by the Answer: About £11.5m worth of business annually.
This fact emerged last week AFA. This, incidentally, is a

direct result of development funding from the Department of Industry's Chemicals and Minerals Requirements Board.

source of income for the AEA in 1976-77, with reactor service; (home and abroad) coming A licence under this patent has been granted to she Johnson Matthey group. In connexion with the production of Fectalloy Diversification at the authority's Harwell laboratory over the accis, a separate ficence is held hy Resistallov, a new company past decade has been one Set up to organize the manuelement contributing to this trend. This was the deliberate facture of the steels in Britain and to sell them worldwide. policy of Dr Walter Marshall The Harwell Fectalloy-based (deputy chairman, AEA, and

cotalyst has successfully com-pleted a 50,000 miles road durability test on a Leyland Marina, the AEA reports. Though Johnson Matthey the concept has heen examined by leading car with the need to find work for clever but unemployed nuclear macefecturers in lamous

in Europe, Levland and Volkswigen have carried out extensive evaluation tests. Ford and General Motors in the United States are also complet-

ing testing programmes. Latest estimates of United States requirements for Fecral-loy-based catalysts suggest that several million units a year could be needed in the early 1980s. This would mean a sub-stantial financial return to the United Kingdom. Steel for the non-catalyst mar-

resistance to corrosion at Steel for the non-catalyst mar-temperatures above 1,000°C, her and for the European car

might be required for these two markets

Harwell's connexion with Brirish Rail is via the laboratory's Nondestructive Testing Centre, set up by the Ministry of Tech-nology 16 years ago. British Rati operates an "ultrasonic test train" which detects and records data on track defects; an autometic scanning system try with longer-term research-developed by the centre is now and development; the Eurobeing evaluated aboard the BR

The same unit at Harwell was involved in determining the extent of farique damage in the mechanism of the Great Clock (Big Ben) at Westminster, A new components were made, inspected and installed.

Other citeats of the unit have included Rolls-Royce (radiographic techniques for auro-engine te-ting and inspection); bratish Gas (pipeline inspec-tion); and the Central Electri-city Generating Board (ultra-sonic holography for turbine forging inspection) forging inspection).

Harwell's Cerumics Centre has also continued to work closely with industry on special materials and processes. Refel silicon carbide, a high-quality ceramic with exceptional properties at high temperatures, has found uses in a wide range of engineering applications (such as mechanical seals, gascomponents

Skytrain or stand-by concepts,

where intending passengers have to turn up at airports and may have to wait for hours for

the chance of a ticket and

then, perhaps, not obtain one, would not suit this market at-

all, Mr Pycroft believes.

ture, gas-cooled reactors.

Another non-nuclear unit is the National Centre of Tribology(associated with the European Space Tribology Laboratory) which the authority operates at Risley. The national centre has combined urgent consultancy work on lubrication and wear for induspean laboratory has tested the solary array mechanisms of the ill-fred European Orbital Test

Satellite. At the authority's Culham laboratory, industrial electrotechnology group serious flan in the hour striking applying the laboratory's mechanism was detected, and expertise in electrostatics, ion physics and high electric and magnetic fields. Lightning strikes on aircraft are being Lightning and operation, scabed survey are being and search, and instrumentainvestigated for the Ministry of Defence; electrostatic ignition hazards on large oil

came from industry (53.4m), the Department of Industry's

remained.
For the Department of Energy, Harwell has become an important source of technical support in the field of energy research and development generally. The Energy Techno-

Authority than nuclear power Question: What is the Atomic They can therefore be plated export market will be produced rocket nozeles). Originally, it logy Support Unit (FTSU) at Energy Authority doing messing with plannaum and uses in in Sheffield. Within a few was developed as a cladding for Harwell its done much work about with cars, railways, oil catalysts to control exhaust years, about 2,000 tonnes a year nuclear fuel in high-tempera on assessing alternative energy sources and on conservation. closely involved with industry.

Another Harwell group, the Marine Technology Support Unit (Marsu), similarly supports the R and D programmes both the Department of Energy and the Department of Industry. For the Health and Safety Executive, the AEA's Safety and

Reliability Directorate his assessed the potential hazards of existing and proposed oil installations on Canvey Island-And, for the Offshore Energy Technology Board, the authori's work has been extended to include underwater engineering, materials, inspection and

Among a wide range of other non-nuclear projects, advanced laser methods are heing day hoped to analyse more fully then the flows and precesses in in-terno-combustion engines, and so lead to improved entire Requirements Boards (£4.8m), so lead to improved entire designs; and other lover techniques have been applied to production processes in projects for the printing, plastic and paper converting, food process-

> Kenneth Owen Technology Correspondent

Arthur Reed

Skytrain-a threat to cheap travel?

walk-on, cheap fare flights across the North Atlantic by a non-member of the International Air Transport Association, the sirlines of the world are wondering what the effect of Skytrain will be on the more traditional forms of air travel.

The reaction of the big air-

on publication of the authority's

annual report. Non-nuclear work

represented the largest single

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Energy) when he was director at Harwell.

scientists and engineers has now worked its way through to a fair number of successes in

different areas of non-nuclear

industry.
One of the most significant projects is in the field of new

materials. In conjunction with the private actor of the steel industry, Harwell has developed new stainless-steel alloys which

are known as Fectalloy steels. The inclusion of aluminium

gives a tough skin and extreme resistance to corrosion at

Thus a process which began

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lines in Iata is already well known. Worried that Laker will cream off much of their ligh-yield traffic with their £59 London-New York single fare, they have begun marketing their own "stand-bys" at 564. But also watching the situation closely are the travel organizers, who at present send hundreds of thousands of passengers to the United States and Canada each year on advance booking charter (ABC) flights, and the airlines in Bricain and on the Continent who service the package holiday trade to the beaches of the Madistrances.

visits there they become more adventurous and fly farther efield, probably to Greece or North Africa. Will this section of the mar-

ket now be tempted by Sky-train and the lara airlines' train and the large arrines stand-by fares to try the United States? Opinion in the travel trade is mixed, but remains generally optimistic that there will be no great shift.

Laker's enterprising service will, the feeling is, appeal largely to the young and footloose who are not particularly worried if they do not have a load headed for the service and the service was a load headed for the service with the service was a load headed for the service was a load of bed booked for the night when they arrive in New York, Package tourists are usually conservative family groups, often with young children, who want to be led by the hand by the airlines and the tour companies when they enter the alien world of international travel.

Stell people are willled to the Atlantic normally side of the Atlant

Such people are unlikely to meet the travellers at the air

As Laker Airways Ily the first change their allegiance large numbers and the package tour sector hopes for a good summer in 1978, despite the new factors in the airline busi-

> This year the sector has done reasonably well after the resurgence of confidence in the economy which emerged towards the end of the sum-mer. Early in the season package tour bookings were well down, but by August most tra-vel agencies were hard pressed to find bookings for their potential clients.

Opinion is split in the advance booking charter sector about whether the advent of Skyaram and lata airline standbys will seriously affect their business.

Some members Advance Booking Operators' Council Charter already expressed the fear that the North Atlantic charter market could collapse in the face of the new fares. Others believe, as do the package tour are so different that there will

Those who are worried believe that the Civil Aviation Authority ought to withdraw the regulation that makes it necessity for intending passengers on ABC flights to book their seats at least 45 days in advance of travel. This would then make ABCs fully competitive with Skytrain and stand-bys—especially as ABC fares can be even cheaper than the latest rates of Laker and the lata carriers. The opposite view is led by

Mr Reg Pycroft, managing director of Jetsave, the biggest British company funnelling passengers into the ABC busi ness and using airlines such as British Caledonian and CP Air.

DOWNING

year to produce a turnover of

£18m. "ABCs are alive and

Like the ripples from a

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Jetsave expects to carry effects of Mr Freddie Laker's

well, and I am confident that the upheaval are the public-they will remain so ". Mr Py-those, that is, who have in the

Skytrain service will rock the whole of the airline scene,

Encouragingly, the only people who are certain to gain from

those, that is, who have in the

past wanted to travel by air, but who have found it too ex-

Laker's Skytrain: will it break into the holiday package market?

croft said.

port of arrival and so it is Jetsave expects to carry essential that there should be 200,000 North Atlantic pas-definite bookings on flights.

Profit announcement for the Half Year ended 30th June, 1977

The unaudited Consolidated Group Profit after convertible loan stock interest for the six months to 30th June, 1977 is £14,951,000 as against £11,536,000 for the six months to 30th June, 1976.

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Turnover	548,782	436,752	945,030
Consolidated Group Profit	14,951	11,536	25,847
Taxation	7,785	5,896	13,120
Profit after texation	7,166	5,640	12,727
Minority	204	252	526
	6,962	5,388	12,201
Preference dividend	5	5	11
	6,957	5,383	12,190
Extraordinary items			3,983
Available for Ordinary			
Shareholders	6,957	5,383 ======	16,173
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All sectors of the Group, other than shipping and property, have contributed to the 30% increase in profit before tax for the six months ended 30th June, 1977.

Insurance broking has once again achieved excellent results, as have the insurance underwriting companies. Bowmaker, the credit finance and engineering subsidiary, shows increased profits despite the low level of activity in the construction industry which has resulted in a reduced contribution from engineering. Merchant banking has had a good first half. Trading operations increased their profits but the outlook for the full year is uncertain. Shipping is currently unprofitable owing to the world-wide recession in freight rates. The property sector continues to show a deficit due to the burden of interest charges in the absence of sales in the period.

The Directors expect that 1977 will be another record year but the increase in profit for the year as a whole is unlikely to be at the same rate as in the first six months.

The Directors have resolved to pay an interim dividend of 0.9075p per share for the year ending 31st December, 1977 which together with imputed tax credit amounts to 1.375p per share (1976 1.25p per share). In addition, arising from the reduction of 1 per cent in the basic rate of income tax since the declaration of the final dividend for 1976, the Directors have resolved to pay a further dividend for the year ended 31st December, 1976 of 0.02809p per share which together with imputed tax credit amounts to 0.04256p per share. This gives a total payment of 0.93559p per share payable on 21st November, 1977 to Ordinary Shareholders on the Register on 21st October, 1977. These dividends will absorb £961,000 and £29,000 respectively.





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Business Diary: Francis and Tarmac • Pensions guru

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His responsibilities for Tarmac's overseas operations are likely to be taken over by Alam Chebra managing director of

Francis had made a big name in overseas construction in recent years, both in furthering Tarmac's own expansion abroad, and as chairman of the Overseas Projects Group, a forum for the industry and for gov-ernment, and as vice-chairman of the Construction Exports

Advisory Board.
His beginnings were modest.
A Clydesider, Francis left school at 16 and read civil engineering in his spare time.
He joined Tarmac in 1953 as an assistant to the chief engineer mind took over the construction corrors atter when Robin Martin became chief executive. GAMEN assistant to the chief engineer

Francis, who became a direc-or in 1965, likes sailing, shoot-



Osborne, managing director of the construction division. He is another long-time Tarmac man, having joined the company 28 years ago from Birmingham There have been more than

There have been more man
a few books out on pensions
this year bur few have been as
eagerly avaited as Harry Lucas'
Pensions and Industrial
Relations: A Practical Guide*,
which was published yesterday.
Not only is the book a
genuine first; it really is the
first book on pensions as seen first book on pensions as seen from a grade union negotiator's point of view. It is also written by one of the few top-notch experts the trade unions at the moment can field on the

Harry Lucas who is the pensions adviser to the General & Municipal Workers' Union is looked upon as one of the gurus on pensions in the trade union world not only by fellow unionists but also by the other experts the pensioners advisers, consultants and insurance

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pensions can be partisan—
perticularly on the delicate
issue of whether or not only
recognized trade unionists
should represent all members
of a firm on the board of
trustees of a pension fund—but
Harry Lucas is noted as the
man who can be and is objective

Basnett general secretary of the GMWU who is in the fore-front of trade union leaders preaching the gospel of pensions which are after all, deferred pay.

Support for the book has also come from leading national employers such as Pilkinton, GKN and British Leyland which have willingly cooperated in the

have willingly cooperated in the case studies *Published by Pergamon Press ar £8.50 and £3.75.

The Co-operative Bank was yesterday preening itself on the announcement that it is to begin Sunday opening the weekend

What is more, the Co-op is taking this voyage to the wilder shores of banking, as we British know it, not safely near its Manchester headquarters but up among the fierce sabbatarians of Ginsgow.

"It is another example of the bank's policy of caring for

and sharing with our customers", a spokesman was moved to say yesterday. That, if Business Drary may say so, is putting it a bit strong.
What is happening is that the branch—yes, just one—happens to be in Scorland's first hyper-

market, a new Co-op develop-ment in Morrison Street, Glas-gow. The store is open on a Sunday—and the bank with it but both are closed on Monday. There are no plans to extend Sunday opening to the other 700 "Handybanks" as they are

cailed in big Co-ops in either Scotland, England or Woles. whatever customers may feel of London, director of brokers Willis, Faber & Dumas, chair-man of Lloyd's Life and one of the insurance elite who hold the Lloyd's gold medal for our-spection, sending, sending, and provided as president of the Chartered
as president of the Chartered
Insurance Institute yesterday.
Harry Mance has already
made a big contribution to the insurance industry and now undertakes another appoint-ment during what would other-

wise have been his retirement. Succeeding against the odds is his forte. Sir Henry took Lloyd's, the archetypal short-term insurance market, into the long-term business of life assurance. He is even an admiral of the Texas Navy.

John Arkell, chairman of the Air Transport and Travel Industry Training Board, is warning aviation employers that one of the board's pet training wheezes is going into a nosedive because of lack of

It is the Adult Engineers' Training Scheme, which began Training Scheme, which began in January last year and under which 146 people so far, all civilian or exservice and unemployed, have been given a crack at getting a Civil Aviation Authority licence.

AETS, Arkell says, is both "one of the major training schemes we have set up" and one whose success has "exceeded our emecuations and

ceeded our expectations and fully justified the money spent But there's the rub. The cost

of training has been borne by the state's Training Services Agency, but only on condition that the aviation industry and interpretating standarding standarding

Government money and patience is now running our, and Arkell's ITB is now in a and Arken's 115 is now in a spot since, as he himself says, "the supply of engineers com-ing out of the armed services is drying up, and the industry will then need to find and train people from among its own ranks".
Arkell's educational mech-

anics are now overhauling the courses to see if long or too detailed for what employers want: something perhaps that should have been done before take-off.

Small investors who have watched bank deposit rates tumbling down to their present meagre 3 per cent may be attracted by the decision of Chemical Bank, one of the American majors, to offer 6 per To add to the arrection.

Chemical is now working to a formula which means that its seven-day deposit rate will be pegged at 1 point below its base rate, whereas the clearers have steadily widened the margin be-tween the two to the depositor's detriment. But just how good is Chemical Bank's deal? Certainly not twice as good. Being essentially a wholesale bank in Britain,

Chemical is not interested in sums of less than £25,000. But at that kind of level the wouldbe depositor can do almost as well by walking into the nearest branch of a clearing bank.
On sums of more than \$10,000 the clearers are prepared to offer money market. linked rates. Barclays, for in-



Reduction in Interest Rate

Access is to reduce the interest rate to borrowers from 2% to 12% per month with effect from October 1, 1977. From that date the new rate will be applied to all interest bearing balances and to purchases attracting interest for the first time. This means that the maximum true annual interest rate on cash advances is reduced from 26.82% to 23.14%, but in practice the flexibility of choice available when the card is used for purchases means that in most cases cardholders pay an appreciably lower rate.

Clause 5 of the ACCESS Conditions of Use will be amended from that date to:—

Interest will be charged at the rate of 13% per month on a daily basis, equivalent to a maximum annual rate of 23·14% on the balance outstanding on ALL cash advances from the date the advance is taken until full repayment is credited to the cardholder's ACCESS account.

In the case of purchases, interest will not be charged on amounts repaid which are credited to the cardholder's ACCESS account within 25 days of the date of the statement on which the items first appear. Any amount outstanding at the end of the 25-day period will be charged interest at the rate of 12% per month from that statement date and will continue to be charged on the daily balance outstanding until full repayment is made.

A service of Lloyds, Midland, National Westminster, Williams & Glyn's and Clydesdale Banks, The Royal Bank of Scotland, Northern and Ulster Banks.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Poor company news prompts selling

in an extempt to stimulate some interest. In addition dealers reported that some sizable lines of stock came on of another batch of disappointing company profits which had lepressed equities for most of

The effect on the FT Index was quite dramatic. By 3 pm it was 6.5 down but looking quietly firm at that level. But between then and the close it disposed another 7.9 leaving it with a net loss on the day of 14.5 at 505.5. It now stands 26.4

lower on the week and has shed 43.7 since its all-time peak. All this was in sharp contrast to the gilt market which contimed to attract strong support much of it from abroad and mainly centred at the long end. With yields the attraction longer maturities rose by as much as £2 at one stage and in spite of a late fall still ed to close a point and a half to the good.

Medium dares ended of ground a point but at the comparatively

Reports of a bid by Superior Oil for Austral, a member of the Indonesian oil and gas consortium, sparked life into Ultramar which rose 12p to 254p after touching 261p. While there is no question of a bid for Ultramar dealers. for Ultramar, dealers were saying that the Superior terms put

limited to a quarter. There was considerable speculation over the amount of foreign money which has come into the market in the past two days but some dealers were saying that United States orders totalied £25m on Wednesday and that a further £75m worth of business was being considered.
The two re

two results which than anything cast a shadow across equities were those from Dunlop and Vickers. For the former profits con-firmed most people's worst expectations and the shares dip-ped 9p to 98p. Even though Vickers profits were ahead of the previous year they did not live up to hopes and were accompanied by a warning for the future. The combination of these factors lowered the shares

21p to 204p.
With most of the decline coming late in the day other leading industrials also ended

Shares lost ground sharply in general trade at a minimum, efter recent takeover stocks were again

> After the bid denial lorry maker ERF slumped 27p to 128p with fellow manufacturer Fodens registering a sympathetic drop of 12p to 55p. Ega returned from suspension at 142p, 5p up on the suspension price, but bidder MK Electric slipped 16p to 186p.

> Rediearn Glass reacted 40p to 250p after rejecting the Rockware counter and Crane Fruehauf soured 7p to 63p, a couple of points ahead of the couple of points ahead of the renewed minority terms from the American Fruehauf Corporation. The original deal was referred to the Monopolies Commission late last year but, to the surprise of some, subsequently cleared. The American company has always maintained its intention to come with fresh terms if allowed to.

> cluded Jonas Woodhead, the vehicle component maker, which rose 2p to 202p, after jumped 12p to 148p, Invergorden supported to the execut of 5p to 85p and Hay's Wharf which closed 3p to the good ac

were Martin News 4p to 232p, Ladbroke 5p to 171p and Turner Manufacturing 2p to 115p. For the last named the

spor has been the hope that. Dana Corporation would come with perms for the belance of the equity.

Edinburgh & Dundee rose 20 to 1560 awaiting further bid developments while others to go shead in a retreating market were Pauls & Whites 40 to 1650 and Associated Newspapers 120 to 1550 the last reserved on to 155p, the last mamed on North Sea potential.

In the insurance sector interim figures from Prudential Bited the shares 4p to 158p but a gloomy outlook his C. T. Bowring which slipped 10p to 120p with Matthews Wrightson off 8p to 230p in sympathy.

Banking shares also went progressively weaker with all the clearers losing op and Barclays ending at 300p, Midland 320p, National Westminster 260p and Lloyds 250p. The warning on future profits lowered Antony Gibbs another in to 450.

1p to 45p. There were some herty losses in the stores sector with British Home Stores off 13p to 220p, Gus "A" 8p lower at 313p. Mothercare off 6p to 1800.

speculative rises Brokers report a good deal of News 4p to 232p, interest in Sears Holdings p to 171p and ahead of figures due soon but

a fall of 2p to 59p. In the oil sector both BP 14p to 916p and Shell 12p to 598p were depressed by Wall Street

Equity turnover on September 21 was £93.17m (18,663 bar gains). Active stocks vesterday Turner Manufacturing slippe 20 to 115p yesterday after huy-ing by small investors had pushed the shares ahead of the pushed the shares ahead of the market for a week. The company's year ends this month and profits of £3.6m compared with £2.2m, last time look like a minimum in spite of trouble with payments from Turkey, its biggest overseas market. The 35 per cent stake held by the Dana Corporation and the spices of takeover possibilities.

according to Exchange Telegraph, were Uhraman, Tube Investments new, GEC, Shell, GKN, Delta Metal, ICI, BOC new, Distillers, Thos Tilling, BAT Dfd, Grand Metropolitan, Babcock & Wiltox, RTZ, Carlton Ind, CT Bowring, Hey's Wharf, Fodens, Dawson Int, Jonas Woodhead and ERF.

Latest results

Сошрацу	Sales	Profits	Earnings	Div	Pay Year's
Int or Fin	. Em	£m.	per share	pence	
Armstrong E (F) 67.42(43.42)	6.26(4.28)	6.5(4.99)	1.3(1.16)	2.02(1.82) ()
Berger, Jenson (2.75(2.67)	-(-)	-(-)	3.75(4)
Beralt Tin (I)		2.9(1.01) 14.9(11.5)		0.93(0.81)	21/11 -(2.63)
C. T. Bowting (I BPC (1)	72,59(66.35)	0.96(0.91)	<u>_(0.2)</u>	1.0(1.0)	5/1 (3.18)
Bwall (FMS) (I)		0.27(0.17)	—(0-2,7 —(一)	()	— —(£25b)
Bury & Masco (1		0.53(0.44)	-(-)	1.24(1.24)	7/11 -(4.23)
Brown Boveri (1)		2.92(3.03)	2.97(3.44)	0.76()	16/12 -(1.2)
Chsons (FMS) (I	Ja —(—)	0.63(0.26)	—(—)	0.75(0.4)	17/11(2.0)
Crosby House (F	1.9.64(5.48)	c0.25(0.37)	c35(47)	5.33(5.35)	9.33(9.35)
Delta Metal (1)	252.5(195.7)	13.4(10.1)	4.4(2.6)	1.82(1.82)	3/1 (4.49)
Dowdg & Mills (1.42(1.09)	2.19(1.7)	0.58(0.51)	18/11 1,07(0.96)
Dunlop (I)	-(-)	31.6(30.3)	→(~)	2.65(1.95)	3/1 -(4.5)
Elec & Gen In (0.16(0.23)	(_)	 ()	()
Ferry Pickerng ()	F) 4.68(3.85)	0.78(0.53)	9.6(6.72)	1.56(1.37)	14/11 2.8(2.5)
Gen Investors (1)´—(—̀)	0.57 (0.42)	() ``	1.6(1.4)	31/10 —(3.4)
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Harris & Shidn (1.26(1.24)	—(—)	1.41(1.26)	10/11 - (2.66)
J. Hwitt (Fta) (() 1.1(0.98)	0.06(0.09)	1.4(2.0)	· - () ·	— —(0.92)
Jentique (F)	8.7(8.4)	0.55(0.58)	1.16(1.15)	0.34(0.30)	6/12 0.59(0.53)
H. Mackay (I)	3.9(3.1)	0.19(0.17)	-(-)	1:40(1.40)	18/11 —(3.2)
Most River (F)	2.0(1.0)	0.65e(0.23e)		1.73(1.55);	24/11 1.73(1.55)
Newey Group (I)	7.9(6.9)	0.04c(0.17c)		-()	28/11 —(NII)
Nigerian Elec (I)	(- <u>-)</u>	_(_)	(_)	5.082(—)	28/11 —(—)
H. Perry (I)	35.2(27.8)	1.4(0.82)		2.47(1.97) -	- 8/12 - (4.8)
Wm. Pickles (I)	11,7(10.1)	0.51(0.46)	0.95(0.87)	0.29(0.26) 2.45(2.2)	31/12 —(0.5)
Prodential (I)	., (_),	18.1(13.0)	8.9(9.0)	2.5(2.3)	47/11 —(5.9) — — (7.6)
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Henry Sykes (I)		1.1(0.73)		0.55(0.50)	= ={= }
Triplevest (I)	-(-) · ·	0.87(0.77)	-()	2.31(2.02)	(3.9)
Vickers (I)	231.1(202.8)	16.5(14.5)	17.8(14.7)	3.85(3.5)	3/1 -(8.7)
Westwood Dws (0.07(0.04)	2.98(1,61)		``; `— ` ~ ; — (—)` - ´
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Prudential underwrites continuing

recovery

Prudential Assurance, higgest of the United Kingdom life offices has swung strongly back into the black on his general (non-life) underwriting general (non-life) underwriting. The underwriting surplus for the first-half of the year was £23m compared with a deficit of £0.9m in the corresponding period of last year. Meanwhile investment in come, which includes that relating to shareholders funds but excludes that relating to long-term business; climbed from £13.9m in £15.8m. Premiums increased from £15.8m of £18.3m. The Prudencial reports that the better underwriting result

the better underwriting result reflects continuing while Australia to profitability at South Africa showed underwriting deficit. of the total business written in the sound a third of the total business written in Mesnwhile the small United Kingdom loss of the first significant in the small united in the small unit

and motor accounts more that of the estic account. This is behind the inflation rate further subsidence claims.

The interim dividend goes from 245p to 37p.

Brown Boveri doing well and

more to come In the first half of this year Brown Boveri Kent, the hold ing company of the Georgi Kent industrial instrument an process control group, made pre-tax profit of £2.92m, con pered with £3.03m for the man months to December 31 la Turnover reached £33.88 against £47.13m for no

Mr J. G. Vaughan, chairman reports that the six months profits confirm his statement at the annual meeting tha there would be a real improve

meut in 1977. Aithough taking a causio the board is confident the will be a further improve in profits in the second hal year. An interim dividend in 1.15p gross is being paid anthe board expens to pay final of 1.51p, making a ton-

The Times Awards for the best advertisement of a company's results have aroused considerable interest since their introduction in 1974 and the competition is now in its fourth year.

The categories in which awards will be made are listed alongside. The conditions of entry remain unchanged.

THE TIMES AWARDS FOR THE BEST ADVERTISEN OF A COMPANY'S RESULTS FOR 1977.

The Awards

The awards will follow the 1976 pattern, namely a) The Grand Prix, to be held for one year, awarded to the entrant whose advertisement is, in the opinion of the judges, the best submitted, irrespective of category. The Grand Prix consists of a silver trophy, specially

b) First, second and third prizes for category winners. Awards will be made both to the winning advertiser and agent.

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The Panel of Judges

The Awards will be made by an independent panel of judges, selected for their understanding of this specialised form of communication.

They will judge entries in accordance with the following criteria. An advertisement of a company's results, whether the Chairman's statement is or is not included in full or in abridged form, should:

a) Attract the eye, by virtue of its design. b) Be easy to read, by the use of skilful typography.

c) Contain such information as prospective investors or professional advisers are likely to require, including details of the business carried on by the company,

d) Include, at the option of the advertiser, such illustrations, graphs, or diagrams as may be necessary to supplement (c) above.

e) Leave the reader with the impression that the company concerned would be a good one to do business with to work for. or to investin.

Note: In the case of the categories Interim Results' or Preliminary Figures; only criteria (a) to (d) will apply.

Conditions of Entry

All entries are free, but must have appeared in the pages of The Times Business News during 1977.

The following are the categories in which awards will be made:

1. Annual Results.

a) Colour or Black and White. Half page or larger, or equivalent.

b) Colour or Black and White Less than half page or equivalent. 2. Interim Results or Preliminary Figures.

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contribution to new and imaginative thinking in financial advertising (without necessarily satisfying all the criteria for the Grand Prix or Category Winners.)

Entries will be accepted throughout the twelve month. period January 1st-December 31st 1977, and should take the form of art pulls mounted on board, with a clear indication of the category in which they are to be judged. Six unmounted art pulls should also be provided for the use of the Award Judges. They should be sent to:

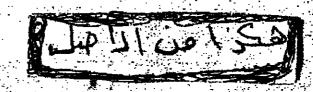
Michael Mander, Deputy Chief Executive and Marketing Director,

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Presentation of the awards will be made early in 1978.

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Meanwhile results of Crosby House for 1976 show a £628,000 marround into a pre-tax loss of £256,000. This is in contrast to 1975 when pre-tax profits reached a best eyer figure of £372,000. The loss for 1976 was made despite a rise in turnover from £5.6m to £9.6m. There was a lost of £750 compared with searnings a charge of £550 compared with searnings a charge of £5

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FINANCIAL NEWS

CT Bowring shares shed 10p on a cautious forecast

Despite an improved first half, C. T. Bowring, the interhalf, C. T. Bowring, the inter-national insurance, banking and trading group, suppord 10p to 120p venerary. The board fore-cast that the ingrease in second-half profits would not match those of the first half. As it is, the 30 per cent increase in first-half profits to £14.95m once again owed most to the strong performance of

to the strong performance of the strong performance of the strong performance of the insurance broking side. Here, any weakening of sterling has been more than made good by the group's strength in the booming reinsurance husiness. Otherwise, only shipping and property have held back Bow-ring. Shipping continues to be unprofitable owing to the world-wide recession in freight rates. The property side which lost 1900,000 fast year is still in the red owing to the burden of interest charges in the absence of any sales:

for the rest the Bowmaker credit finance and engineering subsidiary has pushed up profits despite the low level of activity

Interim Results

Unaudited pretax profits at

Better U.K. profits partially

last year.

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offset by lower overseas profits.

Exports 39% up over first half of

Employers and Trade Unions to make

sensible non-inflationary settlements,

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in the near future and we must therefore rely on higher exports if we

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Lord Caldecote — Chairman

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A huge responsibility rests on both

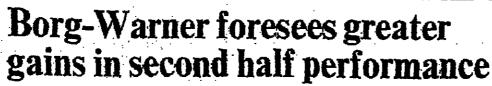
£13.41 million 33% up on

in construction that has de-pressed the engineering side. The Singer & Friedlander merchant banking subsidiary, too, has had an improved first half. The interim dividend has been increased by the maximum to a total of 1.42p a share gross. Crosby Hse Whittingham in £628,000 interim loss turnround quadruples The reports and accounts of

Crosby House the commercial and industrial group which will be issued at the end of the month are to contain details of The pre-rax loss at William Whittingham (Holdings) quad rupled to £129,000 in the six months to April 30. Profits of the development and property side edged forward from 5677,000 to 5681,000, but invest-ment income fell from \$188,000 to \$104,000. The interest burden was \$40,000 for \$100,000 was £40,000 lighter at £594,000. But the photographic division, which usually makes a loss in the first half, reported a deficit up from £263,000 to £320,000. Mr John Wardle, chairman,

explains that he would be disappointed if the second-half's results were not in line with the second half of last year, "which in my view will produce an entirely acceptable result for the year as a whole ". A pre-tax profit of £524,000 was made in the last half of 1975-76. A similar result this time would mean pre-tax profits of about £395,000 for 1976-77. Whittingham's phased reduc-tion in group borrowings is ahead of budget and the chairman believes shareholders will be pleased with the year-end balance sheet. As for last year, there is no interim payment, but a final—0.42p net last year

Mr Edgar Bowring, chairman,



International

(about £8m) on sales of £212.1m. This compares with net carn-

ngs a year earlier of \$9m. Mr N. Bud Grossman, chair-

man and president, said operat-

The Argentine Republic and an international banking syndi-

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cate led by Deutsche Bank AG have signed the agreements regarding an issue of DM100m bonds. The bonds bear interest at the rate of 7½ per cent (payable annually on October I) and will be offered at 99½ per cent. The bonds will be redeemed at par on October 1, 1984. Application will be made for the admission of the bonds for trading and official quota-

for trading and official quota-tion on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. This is the first international issue Argentina has placed on the capital

nas placed on the capital market for seven years. In the years from 1967 to 1969 Argentina had floated three issues of DM100m each under the management of Deutsche Bank.

The operating profit of Thomas Nationwide Transport of Australia was \$16.5m (about £10.3m) for the year ended June 30. This compared with \$A13.25m a year earlier. Sales were \$A462.6m against

Thomas Transport

\$A341.6m.

Banco Obras

Argentina bond

Borg-Warner Corporation, the American group dealing in chemicals, plustics, building products and transport equipnent, expects second-half results to show larger gains over the year earlier period than the 16 per cent earnings increase on 7 per cent sales growth in the first half this year, according to Mr William Valiant, the trea-

Surer. A strong performance has been recorded by the transportation group and its York air conditioning division, especially in large equipment for United States and Middle East markets.

Borg Warner has made significant arise in approach and its construction. ficant gains in energy-related equipment and in its financial services group, whose gross receivables have passed \$1,000m (about £588,2m), but results continue to be unsatisfactory in Europe, especially in chemicals, plastics and automatic trans-

Capital expenditure this year will be about \$70m to \$75m, up from \$36m in 1976, but \$30m below the original budget for 1977, Mr Valiant suid.

The chairman, Mr James Bere said changes being made

in the automotive industry to meet consumer preference, safety requirements, environment and energy legislation present new opportunities for Borg-Warner and other suppliers to the industry—Reuter.

US note auction

The United States Treasury says it has sold \$3,000m (about £1,764m) of two-year notes at an average yield of 6.74 per cent. The average yield was unchanged from the last auction of two-year notes on August 21. Bids for the notes totalled \$5,400m the Treasury said. The high yield was 6.75 per cent and the low yield 6.71 per cent.

Gelco record

Golco Corporation, a United States-based major transporta-tion management company, has reported its eleventh consecurive year of record revenues and profits and a 47 per cent

The previously-announced Dm150m, (about £35.7m) issue from Banco National de Obras **Business appointments**

Courtaulds' new director

Sir Peter Thornton is to join the board of Courtsulds as a non-executive director. Dr G. A. R. Harrley has retired.

Sir Henry Mance, a director of Willis, Faber and Dumas and a former chairman of Lloyd's, has been elected president of the Chartered Insurance Institute.

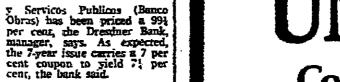
Mr T. French has been appointed a director of Sotheby Parke Bernet Group.

J. K. Pitts has joined the board of the Tioxide Group.

Mr F. S. Worms has been coopted on to the board of Bank
Leumi (UK).

Mr C. W. Brocklebank becomes
a director of Cumplus Investment

Trust.
Mr M. Sheppard has oined the board of Celtic Haven.
Mr A. P. Coackiey becomes a director of Single Holdings.



Plasmon's sales rise

increase in earnings per pri-mary share for the year ended July 31. Net earnings after tax for fiscal 1977 were \$13.5m Plasmon Dietetici Alimentari Spa, the leading Italian manu-facturer of children's foods, has shown a ner profit of 2,000m lire (£12m) in the 15-mouth liscal year to the end of March this year. The board has decided to include this profit in ing strength was exhibited throughout the year by each of Gelco's divisions. "The demand for Gelco's services continues to the next balance sheet. Plasmon, which is 90 per cent con-rrolled by the United States Heinz Group, reported its sales rose by 18 per cent to 97,000m lire in the fiscal year.

Cities Service

Cities Service Company says it expects its third quarter carnings to be lower than earlier anticipated because of a combination of strikes, lower copper demand and lower copper prices. Some of the factors will continue into the fourth quarter and most are in mines. nuarter and most are in miner says it now expects the full year earnings to be about the same as last year, \$217m (about

Less sunshine

Great Western United Corporation of America says that the Sunshine Mining Company's board declined to meet with its board to attempt to reach an understanding on Great Western's tender offer for Sun-

Consequently, Great Western says it did not extend the expiration of its offer for 1,250,000 Sunshine shares at \$14.75 each beyond the initially-set dead-line on September 29,

Earnings a share were 19.6 cents (22.5 cents) on capital increased by a one-for-10 bonus issue and issues for takeover. Saint Gobain offer

Paris.—Saint Gobain Font a Mousson has made an offer of 30 francs a share for all the stock of Quartz et Silice SA in stock of Quartz et Silice SA it does not aircady hold. The Stockbrokers Association said. Quartz et Silice is quoted on the official Paris cash market. It has a capital of Fr129m mde up of shares of Fr70 nominal, of which Saint Gobain aircady holds 68.9 per cent through its subsidiary Saint Gobain Industries, the association added. The group's shares were last guned at Fr24.1 and were last quoted at Fr24.1 and the Saint Gobain offer is valid until October 21, 1977.—Reuter.

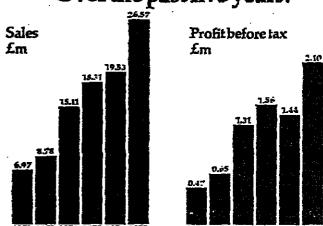
UNITECH

Continued Growth Profits exceed £2,000,000

In the year ended 28th May 1977:

Sales increased from £19.5m to £26.6m –11036% Profit before tax increased from £1.4m to £2.1m -up46% Earnings per share increased from 4.9p to 7.3p -up 40°5 Recommended total dividend of 3.61p net, twice covered -up 10%

Over the past five years:



The future:

The current year has started well, with demand ahead of last year indicating another year of increasing sales and profits.

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UNITECH LIMITED

The Rio Tinto-Zinc Corporation Limited

Report for the half-year ended 30 June 1977

The directors announce the unaudited results for

the RTZ Group for the six months to 30 June 1977. Group sales revenue Sales revenue in the first six months of 1977

sales revenue in the trast extraorines of 1977
amounted to £890.4 million, an increase of
£107.6 million over the corresponding period of
1976. Metal prices and trading activity during the
early months of 1977 were reasonably buoyent, but
began to weaken somewhat towards mid-year.
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began to weaken somewhat towards mid-year.
This situation was particularly marked in the Group's copper and lead and zinc operations. Copper prices, which reached just over 1900 per tonne during March, had fallen to £754 per tonne by the end of June. The average LME price for copper during the first half of 1977 at £820 per tonne still compared favourably, however, with £734 per tonne in the first six months of 1976.
Sales of copper by Bougainville were approximately 15 per cent lower than in the comparable period last year partly due to the treatment of hard, low grade ore which reduced production. Copper sales at Palabora were higher following completion in March of the expansion to produce an additional 30,000 tonnes of copper par annum. Towards the end of the half-year, however, mechanical problems developed in both the new autogenous grinding milks which will cause an estimated 5,000 tonness of production in the second half of the year. Revenue from copper at Lornex was approximately the second part of the loss or production in the account was approximate the same as last year.

Hamarsley from increased its sales revenue, the

November 1976 devaluation of the Austra dollar and increases in contract prices offsetting a

small decrease in volume.

Australian Mining & Smalling achieved an increase Australian Mining & Smelting achieved an increase in sales with higher average lead prices more than offsetting the lower realised zinc price. Demand weakened significantly towards the end of the period and stocks of metal began to accumulate. Sales revenue from Rio Algoni's usualium operation was higher as a result of price increases, including a non-recurring retrospective price adjustment. Steel sales revenue also improved reflecting increased prices and volume.

RTZ Borax achieved increased sales of industrial borates in all markets. Sales of herbicides in the USA however remained at low levels. In the UK, RTZ Chemicals increased its sales in improved trading conditions.
The UK aluminium operations of RTZ industries

were maintained at a high level of activity and sales revenue was increased, largely as a result of the higher level of primary sluminium prices. The UK engineering and Capper Pass tin operations also increased their sales revenue. Operations in Canada were depressed in mainly Weak economic Although sterling was generally lower against most

currencies during the first half of 1977 compared with last year this was not a significant feature in the comparison of sales for each period.

Group profit before tax Group profit before tax for the first six months of 1977 was £146.1 million, an increase of 18 per cant over the corresponding period of 1976. More than half of the increase 2006 within CRA where higher profits from Hamersley and Comalço were partly offset by a lower profit from Bougainville party offset by a lower profit from bougarmilla and a loss in Mary Kathleen Uranium. A substantially higher profit was earned by RTZ Boiax, principally from the US operations. Rio Algom increased its profit. In RTZ industries the improvement in profit achieved by the UK inium and engineering operations was partly offset by lower profits in other areas. Anglesey Aluminium continued to perform well and profit was significantly higher. Rössing Uranium remains in the commissioning stage and net rovente from uranium sales has been credited against capitalised pre-production costs.

Net profit

Net profit attributableto RTZ shareholders for the six months to 30 June 1977 was £42.3 million. (16.79p per ordinary share), an increase of (16.75) per ordinary and 5/761 interest £9.5 million (3.76) per ordinary share) compared with the first half of 1876.

First Half 1976 First Half Year 1976 (£ millions) Group sales revenue -1,6725 274.2 21.2 33.3 Group operating profit 139.3 123.4 13.5 22.2 8.7 13.4 Share of profits of associated companies Dividends and interest receivable 775.0 28.9 146.1 72.1 74.0 145.5 22.5 328.7 49.9 Deduct: Interest payable 278.8 58.4 64.6 31.8 131.3 Group profit after tax
Deduct: Attributable to outside shareholders 147.5 31.7 65.2 Net profitattributable to RTZ shareholders £42.3m £32.8m £81.3m 16.79p Earnings per 25n ordinary chare Dividends: Preference Ordinary -- Interim £8.6m £19.6m Declared per 25p ordinary share Gross equivalent to UK shareholders 3.50p 3.18p 8.00p

(1) The results of overseas operations have been translated from foreign currencies into sterling at the quoted rates of our large as at 30 June 1977. (2) The amount shown for the 1977 interim ordinary dividend is calculated in relation to the ordinary shares currently in issue and no amount is included for any issues of accumulating ordinary shares allotted to holders of occumulating ordinary shares in issue of dividend. If all accumulating ordinary shares are conversed to ordinary shares, the cost of the

1977 interim risidend will be PS.Sm. (S) The comparative figures for the field year to 30 June 1976 have been adjusted for the change in bacic of stock valuation necessary to comply with the new UK accounting standard and for changes in the level of interest in subsidiaries, principally within CRA to reflect the acquisition in 1976 of the outside shereholders' interest in A51 2 S.

Outlook Unless there is an improvement in demand for most metals and an increase in market prices above the present depressed level, particularly for copper and zinc, earnings for the second half of 1977 will be lower than those for the first half of the year.

Rössing Uranium

Significant improvements in operating performance have been achieved in the first half of 1977. During this period the extent of plant modifications necessary to reach full production targets was established. The cost of modifications is estimated at around £20 million but entangements for the provision of about double this sum have been made with the spareholders in order also to cover increased working capital requirements. ETZ will be providing inshare of these additional funds. Operation of the underground mine, which was expected to start in the second helf of 1977, has. been deferred because of difficult ground conditions and variations in one values. Further drilling is being undertaken.

Westinghouse litigation In the US anti-trust proceedings by Westinghouse Bectric Corporation, which are referred to in note 25 of the 1978 accounts and in which the company and a number of other defendants dony jurisdiction and have taken no part, a default udgment (on the issue of liability but not damages) has been sought against the company and other non-appearing defendants, including certain Group companies. The decision of the US Court may be announced shortly. The company and the Group companies concerned were advised at the cuset that any such judgment would not be recognised in the relevant territories and could not effectively be enforced against them. In consequence no provision is being made against

Dividends :

Printed copies of the report are available on request from the

company's transfer office, 1 Redchill Street, Bristol BS1 6NT.

any such judgment.

The directors have declared a dividend of 1.5625p per share on the 3.325% 'A' cumulative preference shares of the company and a dividend of 1.75p per share on the 3.5% 'B' cumulative preference shares of the company, both in respect of the half-year to 31 December 1977. These dividends will be paid on 3 January 1978 to holders on the London and Melbourne registers as at close of business on 17 November 1977 and to holders of share warrants

after adding the tax credit will be equivalent to a gross dividend of 5.30p per share (compared with 4.89p per share for the interim dividend for 1976). In the absence of unforeseen circumstances the directors would expect to recommend to shareholders at the annual general meeting in May 1978 a final ordinary dividend for 1977 of not less than 5.0p per share compared with 4.32p per share for 1976. Accumulating ordinary shares Holders of accumulating ordinary shares at the close of business on 17 November 1977 will receive on 3 January 1978 a further allotment of accumulating ordinary shares, credited as fully paid, on the basis of 0.014932 of a new share for every share hold at the close of business on 17 November 1977. Fractions of less than one half of a share will be eliminated and fractions of one half of a share or more will be

to bearer representing 3.5% B' cumulative

preference shares on or after 3 January 1978 after presentation of coupon number 31.
The directors have declared an interior dividend of 3.50p per share in respect of the year to

31 December 1977 on the ordinary share capital

31 December 1977 on the ordinary share capital of the company, compand with 3.13p per share in 1976, before the company was granted exemption from dividend control in April 1977. The interim dividend on the ordinary shares will be paid on 3 January 1978 to holders on the London and Melbourne registers as at close of business on 17 November 1977 and to holders of share warrants to bearer on orefter 3 January 1978 after presentation of coupon number 34. In the case of holders of ordinary shares and 'A' cumulative

payment of the foregoing dividends will be made in

Australian currency at the rate of exchange ruling on 30 November 1977.

The dividends on the ordinary and preference shares will be paid without deduction of income tax

available principally to United Kingdom rusident shareholders and also to shareholder. rusident in certain other countries under double to: ation agreements. The interim ordinary dividend for 1977

holders of ordinary shares and 'A' cumulative preference shares on the Melbourne register,

and will carry a tax credit. This credit will be

By order of the Board D. A. Sugatfeild. Secretary

accumulating ordinary shares will also receive a dividend of 0.1 p per share.

rounded up to one whole share. Holders of

6 St. James 8 Square London SW1Y4LD. 21 September 1977.

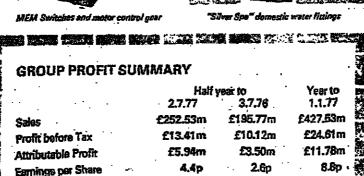


components & non-ferrous metals.





A major international group manufacturing building products, electrical equipment, engineering



Loading Dalta Enfield po

Earnings per Share 1.820p 1.820p 4.493p Dividend per Share

Copies of the full interim report and Lord Caldecote's statement to Shareholders are available from the Secretary, The Delta Metal Company Limited, 1 Kingsway, London, WC2B 6XF

Coits of rolled cooper strip

Spear is on the move after barren years

Spear & Jackson looks to be moving off its profits plateau after four years of stagnation and disappointment. Having fought off a bid from Hestair it needed to deliver a good ncrease, and this it is set to do. But the first half profits have had to bear the brunt of the sell off of the group's Swedish offshoot, A. B. Stridsberg and Biorck, which after early suc-cess has proved a disastrous

Group pre-tax profits of £1.02m include losses of £193,000 from Stridsberg, and terminal costs take out a further £370,000 after tax.

With defence costs from the Hestair bid of £120,000 and £50,000 on exchange rate changes, the 3.575p net dividend increased as a major part of the bid fight, is uncovered.

The improvement over the first half of last year, when the profit was a depressed £378,000, is less of a guide to

of the previous periods.

Group profit before taxation

Group profit after taxation Deduct: Outside shareholders'

Group profit before Extaordinary

Item attributable to Anglo American Corporation of South

Africa Limited

Retained profit before Extra-ordinary Item Extraordinary Item (Note 4)

Retained profit after Extraordinary

Number of shares in issue at end

of respective periods Earnings per ordinary share before

Extraordinary Item-cents ...

progress than the comparison with the second half of last year when the profit was £1.03m.

The second half is usually the stronger period owing to the seasonal nature of garden tool sales, and so maintained profits can be regarded as a good per-

Tool sales, although better are still not very good. The momentum has come from the industrial division as North America has improved. Australia, however, produced only half last year's profits, but France was fairly satisfactory. Profits for the full year will

depend to a great extent, on the strength of the hand and garden tool market, which so far has proved extremely slack. There will be no repeat of the Swedish losses and £2.4m

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Anglo American Corporation

of South Africa, Limited

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

FIRST INTERIM REPORT

for the six months ended 30th June 1977

The following are the unaudited financial results of the Corporation and its subsidiaries for the six months ended 30th June 1977, together with figures for the same period of 1976 and the year ended 31st December 1976. It should be noted that as a consequence of the marger of Rand Selection Corporation Limited (RSC) with this Corporation with effect from 1st January 1977, the results for the six months ended 30th June 1977 include for the first time the results of RSC and its subsidiaries and also certain other companies which by virtue of the merger became subsidiaries, so that the results for the six months to 30th June 1977 are not comparable with those of the previous periods.

Six months

ended 30.6.77

R000's

7 945

14 947

69 179

43 394

222 905 032

1. In terms of special resolutions passed by members of the respective companies at general meetings held on 25th April 1977 and confirmed where necessary by the Supreme Court of South Africa (Witwatersrand Local Division) RSC became a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation with effect from 1st January 1977. In terms of the merger arrangements:

(a) the financial year end of the Corporation has been changed to 31st March. (b) the present financial year which commenced on 1st January 1977 will cover

2. As indicated in the merger documents a special dividend (No. 82) of 8.25 cents a share was declared on 3rd May 1977 payable to shareholders registered in the books of the Corporation at the close of business on 6th May 1977 and in respect of ordinary shares in the Corporation allotted in terms of the merger with RSC. It

is envisaged that an interim dividend in respect of the financial year ending 31st March 1978 will be declared during November 1977.

As a result of the merger with RSC, and the consequent inclusion as subsidiaries in the Anglo American Corporation Group of various companies in which the Corporation previously held a minority interest, there has been a significant change in the incidence of the flow of income of the enlarged Group especially in the quarter to 31st March. It is therefore unlikely that the previous year's pattern of

earnings of the Anglo American Corporation will be repeated so that the earnings for the six months to 30th June 1977 are expected to be higher than those for the six months to 31st December 1977. On the other hand the earnings for the three months to 31st March 1978 are likely to be proportionately higher.

income from investments does not accrue evenly throughout the year. This factor is especially significant as the financial year has been extended by

certain costs, such as those incurred on prospecting, vary materially from time to time, and

other than the Extraordinary Item, no provisions for the depreciation of investments and against loans have been included in the results to 30th June, as they are considered only at each financial year end.

Shareholders will be aware that due to the unsettled political conditions in Central Africa, together with the economic difficulties experienced by Zaire and the low copper price, it was not possible to conclude satisfactory financing arrangements for the Societe Miniere de Tenke Fungurume (SMTF) copper project in Zaire, and work was in consequence suspended in January 1976. In these circumstances, the Corporation and RSC, at their respective year-ends immediately prior to the merger, made provisions against the value of their investment in SMTF.

During 1977 the copper price has remained depressed and it is not yet possible to raise finance on satisfactory terms for this project, as a matter of prudence therefore a further provision of R9.0 million has been made against the book value of the investment in SMTF so that it has been written down to R1.4 million.

The issued ordinary share capital of the Corporation is 222 905 032 shares. However, the earnings per share have been based on the effective number of shares in issue during the six months to 30th June calculated as follows:

Issued in terms of the share incentive scheme
Shares issued in respect of the RSC rights issue in May totalled
21 125 076 shares—reduced proportionate to the time they were in

issue during the six months

1 578 963

682 369

183 182

713 412

5. Particulars of the Group's listed investments are as follows:

Market value

Outside shareholders' share thereof ...

Registered Office:

44 Main Street, Johannesburg 2001 (P.O. Box 61587 Marshalltown 2107)

The following factors also affect the results for a particular period:

a period of fifteen months and will end on 31st March 1978 and

(Note 6)

in terms of the Companies Act, a second interim report will be issued before the end of the new financial year, in respect of the twelve months ending 31st December 1977.

Six months

R000's

1 706

42 508

1 282

143 10 534

131 672 300

£165,000 into Notts explorer

By Malcolm Brown
The National Enterprise
Board has bought a stake in
Sandiacre
Sandiacre Electrics. It designs and manufactures control systems for the diesel generation, artificial fibre, sugar, shipbuilding, water treatment and metal industries.

it had agreed to subscribe for 30,000 new shares in the company at £1.33p per share, giving it a 30 per cent holding in the enlarged equity. It will also be taking 125,000 £1 61 per cent cumulative redeemable, participative redeemabl pating 1984 preference shares at par, making a total invest-ment of £165,000.

Projected turnover for the looks a likely figure for the year. Anything less would certainly be disappointing, but the full year's dividend should be covered more than twice. At pre-tax profit of £44,000.

Twelve

months ended 31.12.76

R000's

4 647

89 218

2940

86 278 43 751

43 465

22 527

131 725 300

At 31.12.76 R000's

411 009

523 212

519 325

6 302 509

208 082 465

London Office: 40 Holborn Viaduct, ECIP 1AJ

23rd September 1977

3 887

At 30.6.76 R000's

931 588 378 660

552 928

For and on behalf of the Board H. F. Oppenheimer Directors

G. W. H. Relly

NEB puts in How absence of exchange gains nearly brought BPC to a halt

cent improvement in pre-tax second half if the pound profits in the half year to July remains stable. 2. It follows a 43 per cent improvement in the past full year. On turnover up by 9 per cent from £66.4m to £72.6m profits were up from £912,000 to £960,000. The interim dividend is simply maintained at 1.515p

A breakdown of trading profits shows printing up from £228,000 to just over £1m, packaging shead from £787,000 to £1.2m and publishing up from £82,000 to £686,000. But these improvements were

seriously offset by a loss on fluctuations of £156,000 against a gain of The chairman adds that £628,000 last time. The total packaging is continuing to do

No stopping Armstrong

Harold Perry up 81 pc but

A record year is clearly the first five months of this under way at Harold Perry year have been little influenced

Ford strike casts shadow

The first six months

of 1977 produced a jump of 81 per cent in pre-tax profits to £1.49m, at this Ford main dealer. This is not far short

of the £1.57m peak achieved for the whole of 1976.

Mr J. F. MacGregor, the chairman, said that the greater part of the increase for the

first half, came from sales of

new Ford vehicles with profits in this category soaring 84 per cent, although the actual num-

ber of new cars sold went up by only 8 per cent. Profit margins had the benefit of strong demand for all the Ford range.

in particular the Cortina and

Fiesta.

Mr MacGregor expects profits for the third quarter to be materially higher." than last year, although not on the same

scale as the first half-year. The Ford strikes have led to

seriously " depleted stocks and

"too many customers" are waiting for new vehicles. In

fact the final quarter will depend largely on production

Fourth-quarter tumble

slumped from a ner profit of K6.66m to one of K392,000.

Copper production and sales, in

tonnes, were lower and interest

was heavier. For the year to

June 30, Roan made a net profit of K20.85m, against a loss of K292.000. But this was after a devaluation loss of £15.2m

while there was no similar charge in 1975-76. The Zambian Kwacha was devalued in July.

Because of low copper prices

and the rising trend in costs, Roan is now making losses. Its financial situation is deteriorat-ing and, with no indications of

a substantal improvement in conditions, the board is not pay-

ing a dividend. There was no

ordinary payment for the pre-

Mr Samuel Oxford, chairman of Magnet and Southerns, told the annual meeting that man-agement accounts for the first

five months of this year show a rise in sales of about 9 per cent, with profits only slightly

lower than for same period a year ago. The comparisons are

better than they seem, in that Haulright.

Magnet & Southerns

in fair start

at Roan Mines

By Bryan Appleyard currency gain for the whole of well and there is further. The British Printing Corpora-less year was £1.7m. RPC has improvement in some parts of ton had a disappointing 5 per over £1m to catch up in the publishing.

Another depressing feature for the second half year will be £2m closure costs after the decision to shut the Hazell Offset factory. The figure will be included below the line, as is the £252,000 in the interim ment to cover losses since the closure was automored on

On trading, Mr Peter Robinson, chairman, comments that there has been a general improvement in activity in all son, chairm divisions except for the troubled Sun Group which includes Hazell.

by increased values or by stock profits. The board also expects

to complete the purchase of

another Dutch timber company

within the next two weeks or

Abrasives board wins

An attempt to replace four members of the Abrasives International board has been

Mr Colin Ashworth, son of

remove the existing directors and elect himself and three

others onto the board. Mr Ash

Wm Pickles hopeful

A bad downturn in the retail

four months.

Over the whole of the half

year to June 30, this Man-chester-based textile group

managed a 16 per cent rise in turnover to £11.7m, and a 13 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £519,000. Mr Harold Buckley,

chairman, says that the order book for July was up 12 per cent. A "satisfactory" second

For a basic payment of £500,000, the Mitchell Cotts

Group, which is in road transport, warehousing and cold storage, has bought Haulright Freight Services, a private company based in Bradford. The

company acts as an inter-national freight forwarding

agent and its profits for the year to November 30 were £182,000. Net assets amounted

The initial payment has bee

amount depends upon profits of

Mitchell Cotts makes

in family clash

a director in 1974.

after 13pc rise

half is expected.

£4m purchase

to £123,000.

In the quarter to June 30, trade in May and June spoilt Roan Consolidated Mines an "excellent" performance by

defeated.

Magnet and Southerns is the timber group formed from the merger of Magnet Joinery and Southerns-Evans

He also points out that the group now has a strong second half weighting in the figures. Last year £3.8m of the total of £4.8m came in the second six months. This is doe to the rearrangement of the financial of the Swedish subsidiary. Finally the chairman says it rinally the charman seys it is too early to make any fore-cast for the full year. But he does expect a maintained improvement in printing and further satisfactory results in packaging. Publishing profits should also increase.

The doese slighted An to 47km.

The shares slipped 4p to 424p yesterday where they are supported by a yield of 11.5 per cent. The historic price earn-ings ratio is just over 7.

Crane rises clear of new US bid

As expected, Armstrong the total from 2.3p to 3.08p Equipment did well in the year to July 3. Pre-tax profits reached a peak of £6.26m, climbing from last year's £4.28m. The latest figures include an extraordinary profit of £156,000 on the sale of a trade investment. This year's result is, in fact, double the profit of £3.05m achieved in 1974-75. Turnover rose from The years had a number of the profit of £3.05m achieved in the total from 2.3p to 3.08p gross, Estrings per share rose from 4.99p, adjusting for last year's rights issue, to 6.5p.

Armstrong continues to make substantial progress. It is future remains bright and it should continue its growth pattern. So far recent buyers of Crane the US Fruehauf Corporation 1974-75. Turnover rose from the group has made a number of acquisitions over the past up from 1.79p to 1.97p, raising among them. would not bid again even though the Monopolies Commission allowed it to towards the end of August. But, as prophesied here, the American group has come back for Crane with a large increase in terms, but terms that seem destined to fail.

At all events out yesterday came Fruehead Corporation with a £9.5m offer of 61p cash for the 66.7 per cent of the shares in Crane it does not own. The market responded by hoisting Crane 7p to 63p. The reaction from the Crane camp was predictable. The

the group's founder, and brother of the chairman, called an extraordinary meeting to Fruehauf reserves the right to deduct from the offer an amount equal to the whole or any part of any dividend Crane declares from now on. However it is all a far cry from the first worth was asked to resign as-Fruehauf Corporation bid of Mr Stewart Ashworth, the charman, rallied shareholders and the voting to remove the board was heavily in his favour. last autumn of 27p a share. Next step now for the English group is to report on how business is going. Last year profits recovered from £111,000

> W. E. NORTON (HOLDINGS) Since the start of the current year, the company has continued to prosper, Mr W. E. Norton, the chilment told the annual year, the company has continued to prosper, Mr. W. E. Norton, the chairman, told the annual meeting. He was confident that the first half's results would show further improvement.
>
> With earnings per share up directly related to indust from 1.79p to 2.19p, the final activity. In space of recess the first half's results would show further improvement.
>
> O.87p gross. This lifts the total construction of a new 1 from 1.48p to 1.64p.
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> Middends branch.

Fruehauf shates have had it their way. Some feared that

offer was far too low. Once again the argument is heard that any offer must take into account around £1m a year in royalties payable by Crane to Fruehauf, but not for much longer; but a new twist is that the Erypera Commission is the European Commission is considering whether the licensing deal between the two groups should not be declared void. Moreover the offer is not necessarily worth the 61p a share

Delta is unexciting but growing solidly

Like so many engineering companies reporting recently Delta Metal's half year results are below best expectations. But. the reasons are markedly different from the disappointing experience of Guest Keen & Nettlefolds or Bridon, Trading conditions in steel have been getting worse but non-ferrous emi production, particularly for copper and brass rod, and wire, has been improving.

Thus, Delta's 33 per cent improvement in profits before tax for the balf year to July 2, was made on the back of better rolume in the United Kingdom but same again profits from associates, and a sharp reduc-tion in South Africa reducted in 2 26 per cent reduction in the minorities charge.

The quality of earnings, therefore is improving, and although United Kingdom demand is still only providing 70 per cent capacity working, working capital requirements and capi-tal expenditure of something more than £12m this year, do not look like putting any strain

on the balance sheet. Also CCA figures, for the half year, showing profit up from £4.4m to £5.0m are encouraging in that they show a real improvement for a group which is often considered to come out badly under inflation account-ing Moreover, on a sensible tax charge—the published £5.1m figure is mostly deferred—the 1.82p ner interim dividend would be covered.

But it is clear that there will be no sharp increase in profits



Lord Caldecote, chairman Delta Metal.

this year to justify a major-rating of the shares. The cha-man, Lord Caldecore, warms if second half profits will a show the 43 per cent incre-over the first half they show last year, but that there sho still be an increase for the f year over 1976.

How good it will be y depend on how buoyant; United Kingdom economy is the fourth quarter. statistics have been fall gloomy, but they are our date, and improving vote for semis could mean the bea ning of an upturn in build spending. In any case export perfor

ance remains strong the copy price remains week and a year still looks like being good one for Delta. At down 41p the yield is 9.9;

Half-time loss at J C Sma as margins deteriorate

A helf-time loss and the post-ponement of the interim pay-ment pushed the shares of John C. Small and Thomas down by 4p to 20p yesterday.
In spite of turnover expanding from £1.52m to £1.78m, a

pre-tax profit of £23,000 was transformed into a loss of £17,000 in the first half of this year. There is no tax this time, compared with a £12,000 charge

last year.

In view of present trading conditions, a decision on the

was 1p net last year is be postponed. A final of 1p was also paid for 1976. The expected recovery in the recession in the textile to

The group's export busine however, has maintained r fitability and prospects ren promising. Small makes a finishes warp-knitted fabr popper ners and meets

Dowding & M's £1.42m

Good figures were expected from Dowding and Mills, good figures it reports and the shares figures it reports and the shares duly rested yesterday at 23p.
Soles rose 25.9 per cent to £9.49m, and pre-tax profits by 30.2 per cent to a record £1.42m in the year to June 30. Reporting first-liaif profits 20 per cent higher, the board predicted in April that the year's figures would be "well in excess" of 1975-76.
With earnings per share up

profit was £1.22m in 1974. It is a nationwide electrical. inethenical repair engineer.
his last annual report, Mr. I neth Sharp, the chairman, that 1975-76 was "one of most difficult years in our as a public company

He emphasised that the gr sold its services to the of United Kingdom indu and so its prosperity

Trading recession hits Newey Group

A recession in the clothing fasteners, haberdashery and hair care business which has been worldwide continues to hinder results at the Newey Group. Intering figures for the six months to July 3 show a pre-tax loss of £50,000 which is an improvement on the corresponding figure last year of £177,000. Turnover has risen

from £6.9m to £7.9m. Mr Martin Newey, chairman, says both turnover and profit show a considerable improvement over last year but they fall short of the group's expecta-

Sales for July and August have continued below budget. But the group expects to see an

made by placing of Mitchell Cotts shares, and a further pay-ment will be in cash. The CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS
Continental Illinois Ltd, an investment banking subsidiary of Continental Illinois Corp. has arranged a \$25m, 10-year currency

swap between British and United States companies, which repre-sents a relatively new technique for coping with Britain's exchange

Briefly

CREDIT FOR BULGARIA
ECGO has guaranteed a 12m
line of credit which Lloyds Bank
has made available to the Bulgarian foreign trade bank.

NATOMAS BONDS ISSUE Arrangements now completed for an offering of \$30m bonds due 1984. Interest rate will be 8 per cent as indicated, with an issue price of 99.5 per cent.

PERRY PICKERING

Board proposes a one-fur-ten scrip Issue. Pre-tax profits for year to June 30 went up 46 per cent to £786,000 on turnover 21 per cent up at £4.6m.

another good year, Indeed, three months of new final-year already show an increase sales of 27.5 per cent. WILKINSON WARBURTON Current sales are encounted second half should be a figures see table.

HARRIS & SHELDON Board looking for similar is for full year to El 2m made 1975. For figures see made

TORAY INDUSTRIES INC Toray intends to issue (US) guaranteed notes, due funder the guarantee of M Bank, through an interest. syndicate of underwriters.

RANKS HOVIS McDOUGALI Company has bought from W Hall Trust for £485,000 that the White—a Glasgos of pany which markets cereals? tils, peas and other foodstatt

	Vickers Limited Unaudited half-year's results	Half-Yea 30th l	Year Ended 31st Dec	
		1977 £'000	1976 £`000	1976 £'000
	Sales(Note 1)	231,118	202,815	424,234
	Consolidated trading profit after depreciation (Note 2)	14,614	11,759	26,777
	Investment income	41	97	221
	Interest payable	(5,684)	(4,462)	(9.595)
	Consolidated profit before taxation Share of profits of associated	8,971	7,394	17,403
3.	companies (Note 3)	7.613	7,195	20,896
	Profit before taxation	16,584	14,589	38,299
	Taxation	8,000	7.300	<u> 19,160 </u>
	Profitafter Taxation	8,584	7,289	19,139
	Minority shareholders' interest Stockholders' profit before	60E_	658	1,194
	extraordinary items	7,983	6,631	17,945
	Prefetence dividends	191	189	379
	before extraordinary items	7,792	6,442	17,566
	Eurnings per £1 of ordinary stock	. 17.8p	14.7p	40.2p
				•••
	Notes:	£'000	£6000	£'000
	1. Inchées Shipbuilding sales	53,769	51,086	104,279
	2 Includes Shipbuilding profit after depreciation	2,307	1,766	4,680
	3. Includes share of profits of British Aircraft Corporation	7,974	6,451	19,956

Vickers Limited, Vickers House, Millbank, London SW 1P4RA



RESULTS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 30TH JUNE 1977

1. The Company's mandited results for the six months ended 30th June 1977, show a pre-tax profit of £16.584m compared with £14.589m for the

corresponding period of 1976.

2. Those businesses not subject to nationalisation, together achieved. increased profitability. Continuing capital investment is generating additional capacity in our manufacturing facilities. This has enabled us to secure substantially increased export orders and also provides for further anticipated growth in demand.

3. Under the provisions of the Aircraft and Shipbuilding Industries Act 1977. the Company's interests in British Aircraft Corporation and shipbuilding activities vested on 29th April and 1st July respectively, and the unaudited results of these businesses, up to the relevant dates, have been included in the six months' figures.

4. The Act provides that interest on compensation will accrue from the vesting dates, but since the amount of compensation has not yet been determined and the Government has not announced the rate of interest which will apply, no credit has been taken in these results. It is hoped that negotiations will have progressed to a stage where a view can be taken before the publication of the 1977 results. However, it is clear that such interest will fall short of the profits generated by these two business Consequently the Company's pre-tax profits in the second half of the year will not match those earned in the first six months.

5. At their meeting to day the Directors decided to declare an interior dividend of 3.85p (1976 3.5p) per £1 ordinary stock equivalent, with associated tax credit, to 5.8333p gross (1976 5.3846p gross). The dividend, which will cost £1.684m met, will be paid on 3rd January 1978 to stockholders on the Register at 1st December 1977.

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Rates

Barclays Bank Consolidated Credits 8% First London Secs . . 7%

C. Hoare & Co \$7%

Lloyds Bank 7%
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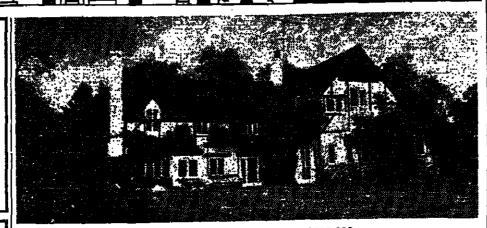
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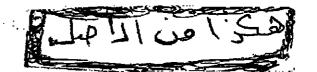
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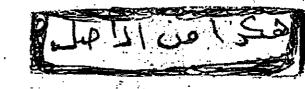
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